





HONG KONG AND SHANGHAI  
BANKING CORPORATION.

Authorized Capital ..... \$50,000,000  
Paid-up Capital ..... \$25,000,000  
Reserve Fund ..... \$25,000,000  
Total Assets ..... \$75,000,000

## HEAD OFFICE: HONG KONG

BOARD OF DIRECTORS:  
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## HONG KONG SAVINGS BANK.

The business of the above Bank is conducted by the HONG KONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION. Deposits may be made on application. For the HONG KONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

NEDERLANDSCHE HANDEL-  
MAATSCHAPPIJ, N.V.

Established 1854  
Head Office: 111 Queen's Road Central, Hong Kong.  
Authorized Capital ..... \$1,000,000  
Paid-up Capital ..... \$500,000  
Reserve Fund ..... \$500,000

## BANQUE DE L'INDO-CHINE.

HEAD OFFICE:  
9b, Boulevard Haussmann, Paris.  
Subscribed Capital ..... Frs. 72,000,000  
Paid-up Capital ..... Frs. 36,000,000  
Reserve Funds ..... Frs. 102,000,000

THE YOKOHAMA SPECIE BANK,  
LIMITED.

Established 1880.  
Capital (fully paid-up) Yen 100,000,000  
Reserve Fund ..... Yen 111,500,000  
Head Office: YOKOHAMA.

## THE BANK OF CHINA.

Reorganised October 25, 1923, under special charter of The National Government of China.  
INTERNATIONAL EXCHANGE BANK  
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THE CHARTERED BANK OF  
INDIA, AUSTRALIA & CHINA.

Incorporated by Royal Charter, 1853.  
HEAD OFFICE: LONDON.  
Paid-up Capital ..... £25,000,000  
Reserve Fund ..... £24,000,000  
Total Assets ..... £49,000,000

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## THE HO HONG BANK, LTD.

Established 1917.  
Capital ..... \$20,000,000  
Paid-up ..... \$10,000,000  
Reserve ..... \$10,000,000  
Surplus ..... \$2,500,000

## THE BANK OF TAIWAN, LTD.

Established 1904  
Head Office: 111 Queen's Road Central, Hong Kong.  
Authorized Capital ..... \$1,000,000  
Paid-up Capital ..... \$500,000  
Reserve Fund ..... \$500,000

## THE BANK OF CANTON, LTD.

Established 1912.  
Head Office: Hong Kong.  
Subscribed Capital ..... \$1,000,000  
Paid-up Capital ..... \$500,000  
Reserve Fund ..... \$500,000

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COMMERCE  
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FINANCEAUSTRALIA RICH IN  
PETROLEUM?

30,000,000 GALLONS OF MOTOR  
SPIRITS FROM COAL.

## SCHEME TO COST £3,000,000.

Sydney, Yesterday.  
Plans for the exploitation of 30,000 acres of coal fields in the Maitland district pursuant to an agreement between the Standard Oil Company, the German Dye Trust, and the Imperial Industries, have been submitted by the Warden of East Maitland. It is proposed to spend £3,000,000 in the erection of a plant to employ 6,000 men to extract 30,000,000 gallons of motor spirit annually from coal.—Reuter.

COTTON MILLS IN  
TIENSIN.PROTEST AGAINST NEW  
TAXES.

## PETITIONS REJECTED.

Tientsin, May 7.  
The proprietors of the six Chinese spinning and weaving companies, viz.: The Yuyuan, Hanyuan, Huashin, Yuta, Paoheng and Peiyang of Tientsin have again petitioned the Shansi authorities protesting against the imposition of \$2.50 per cent on machine-made, foreign-style goods. According to the report of these companies, unless the new imposition be revoked at once, they have no other alternative but to suspend business or sell their properties to foreigners.  
The business men complain that the new taxes are heavier than those imposed by the Peiyang militarists or the Fengtien leaders when they were in control of Hopei province. The Chinese sugar merchants have also petitioned Marshal Yen to the same effect. But these petitions have been rejected.—A.N.A.

## LAND TAX IN HOPEI.

Levy for 1931 to be  
Collected Now.

Peking, May 7.  
Owing to the urgent demand for funds for meeting military expenses of the various armies, Marshal Yen Hsi-shan has authorised the collection of land taxes and dues for the 20th year of the Republic of China (1931) by all the districts of Chihli (Hopei) province. The land taxes for 1930 were collected in advance last year by the Chinese authorities. In addition to the regular taxes which are fixed at the rate of two dollars and thirty cents per tael of silver, the land owners have to pay extra taxes for educational, police, self-government, and military purposes amounting to five dollars per every mou of cultivated lands. Thus under existing serious conditions, the poor farmers must pay \$7.30 per mou of their lands. The magistrates have been ordered to see that the collections must be finished and remitted to Taiyuan before the end of June 1930.—A.N.A.

## BANK OF INDIA.

Six Million Rupees Paid  
to Depositors.

## HEAVY DAYS "RUN."

Bombay, Yesterday.  
The Bank of India paid out yesterday 6,000,000 to 7,000,000 rupees to depositors in the course of a day-long "run."—Reuter.

## BANK OF INDIA.

A joint body of Government officials and business men has been appointed to advise on export trade and to co-operate with Mr. Thomas in promoting employment.

HONG KONG MARKET PRODUCE.  
APPROXIMATE RETAIL PRICES.

		May 16, June, June			1930, 1918, 1914		
					Cts. Cts. Cts.		
Butcher Meat.							
Beef Sirloin	中尾把	lb.	30	24	12		
" Prime Cut	中尾把	lb.	30	28	11		
" Corned	咸牛肉	lb.	20	23	12		
" Roast	咸牛肉	lb.	30	24	22		
" Breast	中尾把	lb.	27	20	18		
" Soup	中尾把	lb.	24	20	18		
" Steak	中尾把	lb.	30	24	22		
" Steak Sirloin	中尾把	lb.	44	30	35		
" Sausages	中尾把	lb.	38	26	20		
BuHock's Brains	中尾把	per set	15	10	12		
" Tongue, fresh	中尾把	each	65	50	60		
" Tongue, corned	中尾把	each	60	50	60		
" Head	中尾把	lb.	14	10	12		
" Heart	中尾把	lb.	24	18	14		
" Hump, Salt	中尾把	lb.	30	20	18		
" Feet	中尾把	each	12	10	12		
" Kidneys	中尾把	lb.	15	10	12		
" Tail	中尾把	lb.	25	20	22		
" Liver	中尾把	lb.	24	18	14		
" Tripe	中尾把	lb.	10	6	7		
Calves' Head & Feet	中尾把	set	1.20	1.00	1.00		
Mutton Chop	中尾把	lb.	30	26	—		
" Leg	中尾把	lb.	30	26	—		
" Shoulder	中尾把	lb.	30	24	—		
" Saddle	中尾把	lb.	28	—	—		
Pig's Chittlings	中尾把	Per set	8	—	12		
" Brains	中尾把	lb.	18	15	—		
" Feet	中尾把	lb.	18	15	18		
" Fry	中尾把	lb.	28	15	18		
" Head	中尾把	lb.	18	20	—		
" Heart	中尾把	each	15	10	10		
" Kidneys	中尾把	lb.	13	10	3		
" Liver	中尾把	lb.	45	30	24		
" Pork Chop	中尾把	lb.	36	25	23		
" Leg	中尾把	lb.	36	—	—		
" Loin	中尾把	lb.	42	60	70		
" Fat or Lard	中尾把	per set	22	21	—		
Sheep's Head & Feet	中尾把	each	10	8	7		
" Heart	中尾把	lb.	16	12	10		
" Kidneys	中尾把	lb.	40	28	25		
" Liver	中尾把	lb.	25	20	22		
Sucking Pigs, to order	中尾把	lb.	20	18	18		
" Mutton	中尾把	lb.	28	26	26		
" Veal	中尾把	lb.	30	20	20		
" Sausages	中尾把	lb.	28	—	—		
" No. 1	中尾把	lb.	32	—	—		
Fish.							
Barbel	中尾把	lb.	38	16	24		
Bream	中尾把	lb.	34	20	16		
Canton Fresh Water	中尾把	lb.	34	—	—		
" Fish	中尾把	lb.	34	13	16		
Carp	中尾把	lb.	32	13	16		
Catfish	中尾把	lb.	32	16	27		
Codfish	中尾把	lb.	32	12	9		
Crabs	中尾把	lb.	35	16	17		
Cuttle Fish	中尾把	lb.	32	23	26		
Dab	中尾把	lb.	35	16	27		
Dace	中尾把	lb.	42	23	16		
Dog Fish	中尾把	lb.	22	20	8		
Eels, Conger	中尾把	lb.	34	16	8		
" Fresh Water	中尾把	lb.	36	10	8		
" Yell.	中尾把	lb.	76	26	30		
Frogs	中尾把	lb.	65	32	25		
Garoupa	中尾把	lb.	32	40	30		
Gudgeon	中尾把	lb.	28	22	18		
Herrings	中尾把	lb.	34	13	23		
Hallbut	中尾把	lb.	32	18	15		
Labrus	中尾把	lb.	58	32	13		
Loach	中尾把	lb.	54	22	24		
Lobsters	中尾把	lb.	36	32	21		
Mackerel	中尾把	lb.	35	20	20		
Monk Fish	中尾把	lb.	34	13	2		
Mullet	中尾把	lb.	40	12	2		
Oysters	中尾把	lb.	35	14	9		
Perot Fish	中尾把	lb.	30	20	15		
Perch	中尾把	lb.	34	16	9		
Pike	中尾把	lb.	42	26	29		
Plaice	中尾把	lb.	44	36	30		
Pomfret, White	中尾把	lb.	36	36	45		
Pomfret, Black	中尾把	lb.	74	10	14		
Prawns	中尾把	lb.	32	13	18		
Ray	中尾把	lb.	35	22	10		
Rock Fish	中尾把	lb.	45	36	30		
Roach	中尾把	lb.	22	8	10		
Salmon	中尾把	lb.	46	32	80		
Shark	中尾把	lb.	44	28	28		
Shrimps	中尾把	lb.	36	22	28		
Snapper	中尾把	lb.	32	26	85		
Soles	中尾把	lb.	34	18	12		
Tench	中尾把	lb.	36	40	—		
Turbot	中尾把	lb.	36	40	—		
Turtles, small, fr. water	中尾把	lb.	36	40	—		
Poultry.							
Chicken	中尾把	lb.	60	50	81		
Capons, Small	中尾把	lb.	52	28	30		
Capons, Large	中尾把	lb.	53	28	30		
Duck	中尾把	lb.	38	22	21		
Doves	中尾把	each	22	21	—		
Eggs, Hen (cooking)	中尾把	per doz.	40	18	—		
Eggs, Hen (fresh)	中尾把	per doz.	55	25	20		
Fowls, Canton	中尾把	lb.	63	36	24		
Fowls, Hainan	中尾把	lb.	60	35	24		
Geese	中尾把	lb.	42	24	24		
Pigeons, Canton	中尾把	each	40	80	—		
" Holchow	中尾把	lb.	30	28	—		
Turkeys, Cock	中尾把	lb.	76	—	—		
Turkeys, Hen	中尾把	lb.	60	61	45		
Snipe	中尾把	each	25	—	—		
Pheasant	中尾把	pair	2.00	—	—		
Quail	中尾把	each	32	—	—		
Partridges	中尾把	each	32	—	—		
Fruits.							
Almonds	中尾把	lb.	45	35	—		
Apples (California)	中尾把	lb.	30	24	—		
Bananas (bride's)	中尾把	lb.	8	4	—		
Carambola	中尾把	lb.	12	10	10		
Coconuts	中尾把	each	12	10	10		
Lemons, China	中尾把	lb.	18	25	30		
Lemons (American)	中尾把	lb.	12	8	—		
Lichees, Dried	中尾把	lb.	30	25	30		
Oranges (Canton)	中尾把	lb.	25	—	—		
Oranges	中尾把	lb.	27	15	—		
Pears (Canton)	中尾把	lb.	20	—	—		
Peanuts	中尾把	lb.	12	10	12		
Persimmons, Large	中尾把	lb.	12	10	12		
Plantain	中尾把	lb.	5	8	—		
Pumelo, Slam	中尾把	each	25	12	6		
Walnuts	中尾把	lb.	15	15	16		
Grapes	中尾把	lb.	70	—	—		
Vegetables, &c.							
Artichokes	中尾把	each	12	—	2		
Beans, Sprout	中尾把	lb.	8	—	7		
" Long	中尾把	lb.	15	8	—		
Beet Root	中尾把	lb.	10	—	—		
Bitter Squash	中尾把	lb.	8	24	—		
Brijals, Green	中尾把	lb.	6	5	3		
" Red	中尾把	lb.	8	5	3		
Cabbage, Chinese	中尾把	lb.	10	—	—		
Cane Shoots, bunch	中尾把	lb.	15	12	—		
Cauliflower (Large)	中尾把	each	10	—	—		
" (Medium)	中尾把	each	—	—	—		
" (Small)	中尾把	each	6	6	6		
Carrots	中尾把	lb.	8	5	6		
Celery, Chinese	中尾把	lb.	10	6	8		
Chillies, Dried	中尾把	lb.	25	25	10		
" Red	中尾把	lb.	26	10	10		
" Green	中尾把	lb.	15	8	12		
Curry Stuff, English	中尾把	lb.	10	8	—		
Cucumbers	中尾把	lb.	8	2	—		
Garlic	中尾把	lb.	8	6	6		
Ginger, Young	中尾把	lb.	12	7	—		
" Old	中尾把	lb.	15	10	—		
Horseradish, Shanghai	中尾把	lb.	26	8	4		
Indian Corn	中尾把	lb.	8	45	—		
Lettices	中尾把	lb.	8	1	—		
Water Chestnuts	中尾把	lb.	8	—	—		
" Mandarin	中尾把	lb.	10	—	—		
Mushrooms, Fresh	中尾把	lb.	10	—	—		
Okroes	中尾把	lb.	8	1	10		
Onions, Bombay	中尾把	lb.	8	4	6		
" Green	中尾把	lb.	8	4	6		
" Shanghai	中尾把	lb.	20	60	8		
Parsley	中尾把	lb.	6	3	—		
Potato, Sweet	中尾把	lb.	5	3	—		
" Japanese	中尾把	lb.	5	3	—		
" American	中尾把	lb.	5	4	—		
Pumpkin	中尾把	lb.	10	—	—		
Radish	中尾把	lb.	10	—	—		
Rhubarb (Fresh)	中尾把	lb.	12	—	—		
Shallots	中尾把	lb.	8	8	—		
Spinach	中尾把	lb.	8	4	—		
Tomatoes	中尾把	lb.	8	7	—		
Taros	中尾把	lb.	8	6	—		
Turnips, Puntl (Long)	中尾把	lb.	10	4	—		
Vegetable Marrow	中尾把	lb.	10	6	—		
Water Cress	中尾把	lb.	10	6	—		
Water Lily Root	中尾把	lb.	8	15	—		







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SUWA MARU	Saturday	31st May at 8 a.m.
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TANGO MARU	Tuesday	24th June.
MANILA.		
TENYO MARU	Friday	6th June.
BOMBAY via Singapore, Penang, & Colombo.		
CALCUTTA MARU	Tuesday	27th May.
SOUTH AMERICA (West Coast) via Japan, Honolulu, Los Angeles, Mexico & Panama.		
ANYO MARU	Sunday	1st June.
SOUTH AMERICA (East Coast) via Singapore, Cape Town & Ports.		
WAKASA MARU	Thursday	5th June.
NEW YORK, BOSTON via Panama.		
ASUKA MARU	Monday	26th May.
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MORIOKA MARU	Friday	30th May.
SHANGHAI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA.		
TANGO MARU (Nagasaki direct)	Friday	23rd May.
DURBAN MARU	Friday	23rd May.
HAKUSAN MARU	Monday	26th May.
AWA MARU	Saturday	31st May.
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For further information apply to: NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA.  
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SAILINGS FROM HONG KONG SUBJECT TO ALTERATION.

LONDON, HAMBURG, ROTTERDAM & ANTWERP—Via Singapore, Colombo, Suez and Port Said.		
ANDES MARU	Wednesday	11th June.
RIO DE JANEIRO, SANTOS & BUENOS AIRES—Via Saigon, Singapore, Colombo, Durban & Cape Town.		
RIO DE JANEIRO MARU	Friday	13th June.
BOMBAY—Via Singapore & Colombo.		
CELEBES MARU	Tuesday	3rd June.
DURBAN, LOURENCO MARQUES, BEIRA, DAR-ES-SALAAM, ZANZIBAR & MOMBASA—Via Singapore & Colombo.		
CHICAGO MARU	Sunday	1st June.
CALCUTTA—Via Singapore, Penang & Rangoon.		
GANGES MARU	Sunday	1st June.
VICTORIA, SEATTLE, TACOMA & VANCOUVER—Via Japan Ports from Shanghai.		
ARABIA MARU (from Kobe)	Wednesday	28th May.
MELBOURNE—Via Manila, Brisbane & Sydney.		
SYDNEY MARU	Friday	6th June.
HONGKONG—Via Hoihow & Pakhoi.		
MENADO MARU	Thursday	12th June.
NEW YORK—Via Japan ports & Panama.		
HAGUE MARU	Sunday	1st June.
JAPAN PORTS.		
KEELUNG—Via Swatow & Amoy.		
YAKAO—Via SWATOW & AMOY.		
YAKAO & KEELUNG.		
BATAVIA MARU	Tuesday	10th June.

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## SHIPPING SECTION

### GULF LINES' MERGER PROJECT.

#### AN EFFORT TO REDUCE WORKING EXPENSES.

#### SHIPPING BOARD ATTITUDE.

The revival of the proposal for the consolidation of the ten Shipping Board services now operating out of the Gulf ports, as indicated by Mr. John R. Gordon, president of the Merchant Fleet Corporation, in his report to the Shipping Board, has aroused a great deal of interest among United States shipping men. It is recalled that in the latter part of 1928 Brigadier General A. C. Dalton, then vice-president and general manager of the Merchant Fleet Corporation, proposed combining eight of the Gulf lines into three services as a means of reducing operating losses.

The Dalton plan was rejected, ostensibly on the ground that it had been proposed without consulting the Shipping Board. Details of the Gordon plan have not been announced, so it may be assumed that the members of the board will have full opportunity to consider the proposition before any definite public announcement is made.

Mr. Edward A. Kelley, during his term of office as vice-president in charge of operations of the Merchant Fleet Corporation, was a strong advocate of consolidation of the Gulf lines, but moves in this direction encountered various obstacles, including protests from groups of shippers in the areas served by the various lines.

Changes in the Board. Under the present conditions of world-wide depression in shipping it is expected that the proposal for reducing overhead costs and increasing general efficiency of operation of the Gulf services will receive more careful consideration than heretofore. Indications are seen of a determined effort on the part of the administration to hasten the disposal of the remaining Shipping Board services to private interests.

This programme is expected to be pushed forward during the remainder of the year and is expected to be facilitated by impending changes in the personnel of the Shipping Board. The vice-chairman, Mr. E. C. Plummer, is likely to be replaced by another appointee from New England at the expiration of his term in June and rumours have been current of late that Mr. T. V. O'Connor, who recently asked to be relieved from the chairmanship of the board, may also resign as commissioner on account of ill-health.

Advocates of consolidation have pointed out that three lines are operated from Gulf ports to the Mediterranean, one to the Far East, one to French and Belgian ports, two to Germany and Holland, and three to the United Kingdom, one of the latter also serving Continental ports. It has been held that the three Mediterranean services might easily be merged as well as the three United Kingdom services and that the latter combination and one other formed of the remaining three European services also might be used to cover the traffic to Continental ports.

The Existing Lines. The lines now operated by the Shipping Board from the Gulf are: Dixie Mediterranean Line, from New Orleans, East Gulf and South Atlantic ports to the Mediterranean; Gulf-West Mediterranean

Line, from Gulf and South Atlantic ports to Portuguese, Spanish and North African ports west of Bizerta; Texas Mediterranean Line, from Texas and South Atlantic ports to Mediterranean ports; Dixie U.K. Line, from New Orleans to United Kingdom ports; Texas U.K. Line, from Texas ports to the United Kingdom; Mobile Oceanic Line, from Mobile and Eastern Gulf ports to United Kingdom and Continental ports; Mississippi Valley-European Line, from New Orleans to French Atlantic and Belgian ports; Southern States Line, from New Orleans and Texas ports to Germany and Holland; Texas Star Line, from Texas ports to French and Belgian ports; American Gulf Orient Line, from Gulf ports to China, Japan, Philippine Islands and Dutch East Indies.

### TONNAGE SHORT.

#### Banks Likely to Foreclose on Mortgaged Ships.

It is becoming increasingly evident that the supply of tonnage available for employment in some of the leading long distance trades is at last showing signs of being definitely short as a result of the laying-up consequent upon the continuance of unremunerative freight rates.

Against this it has to be noted that so far this has not brought about any definite improvement in rates, due to the fact that orders in some of the principal trades are still very scarce, and in the west in particular any business offering is being eagerly snapped up by owners in order to cut losses. It is clear, however, that in the event of any broadening in the demand it would take very little to lift rates to higher levels, but the improvement will have to be very substantial before they are at a remunerative level. The majority of fixtures effected recently will almost certainly involve owners in a loss, and this state of affairs is likely to continue unless owners refuse to accept the present rates offered in the outward market.

Banks and The Depression. In the present state of the market it is not surprising that many members of the Baltic Exchange are freely discussing the prospect of the banks foreclosing on some of the ships which are heavily mortgaged. It is well known that, had it not been for the assistance given to the industry by the banks, many of the ships built in the last year or so would never have been laid down.

In the light of events it is obvious that many owners took a too optimistic view of world trade requirements in the next year or two when they embarked upon their ambitious building programmes, and it is probable that but for the overbuilding the present slump would not have been quite so severe or prolonged. If any attempt were made to liquidate loans on tramp ships on a large scale at the present time it is safe to assert that huge losses would be incurred. It is unlikely, however, that this will be attempted, although it is very doubtful whether some owners are able to provide for interest charges on loans at the existing level of freight rates, to say nothing of redeeming the principal.

### STEAMERS' MOVEMENTS

The C.P.S. R.M.S. Empress of Russia arrived at Nagasaki on May 21 (Wed.) at 5 p.m., left Nagasaki on May 22 (Thurs.) at 6 a.m., and was due at Shanghai on May 23 (Fri.) at 9 a.m. She leaves Shanghai on May 24 (Sat.) at 5.30 a.m.  
The C.P.S. R.M.S. Empress of Canada from Hong Kong on May 15, left Yokohama on May 22 at 3 p.m., and is due at Vancouver on May 30.

### CONSIGNEES' NOTICES

Consignees of cargo ex a.s. "Bolivar" are reminded to take delivery of their goods which will be subject to rent after May 26.  
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Consignees of cargo ex a.s. "Bancruschan" are reminded to take delivery of their goods which will be subject to rent after May 30.

### CHICHIBU MARU.

The N.Y.K. new motor liner, Chichibu Maru left Shanghai this morning, and moored in the harbour at buoy A. 1, where she will stay until her departure on May 29, when she will sail for America, via Shanghai and Japanese ports.

### STEAMER ON FIRE.

Neighbouring Vessels Rush to Scene.

ROLL CALL NECESSARY.

Marseilles, Yesterday. A wireless message from the Captain of the Asia states that his ship caught fire on Wednesday evening. All the officers and crew and many of the passengers were taken off at night by several steamers which rushed to be scene but as about 1,500 pilgrims were aboard a roll call is necessary before it can be ascertained whether there was any loss of life.—Reuter.  
[The Asia is a steamer of 5,890 tons, owned by a French company and built at Glasgow.]

### KARA SEA TRADE.

#### Preparations for Season.

The part played by the northern sea route from Siberia to Europe and the significance of the annual expeditions to the Kara Sea are claimed in Soviet circles to be growing year by year. In this connection a correspondent of the Moscow Ekun Zjian of April 3 states that preparations are already now being made for this year's expedition to the Kara Sea, which will begin in July, as usual, and that the expedition will be two-and-a-half times larger than that which took place last year.

As compared with the inward cargo of machinery, plant and equipment from different European countries, the outward cargo from Siberia is chiefly timber, which is first transported by way of the northern rivers, and then by the sea route to Europe. In the not distant future—that is, within the five years' plan of general development in Soviet Russia, of which two years have now already expired—the expansion is foreseen of other articles of export from Siberia. These include graphite, fish, flax, barley and oats from the northern rural economic associations, together with fur skins, &c. Besides Siberia, the Moscow newspaper states that the region of the Urals will require no fewer than 300 ocean-going steamers at the end of the five years (1932-33) for the transport of the export products from that region.

Icebreakers and Aeroplanes. This year the expedition, it is said, will be accompanied and served by two of the best icebreakers, and possibly by a third held in reserve, which are at present stationed at Archangel, and by three large aeroplanes and staff.

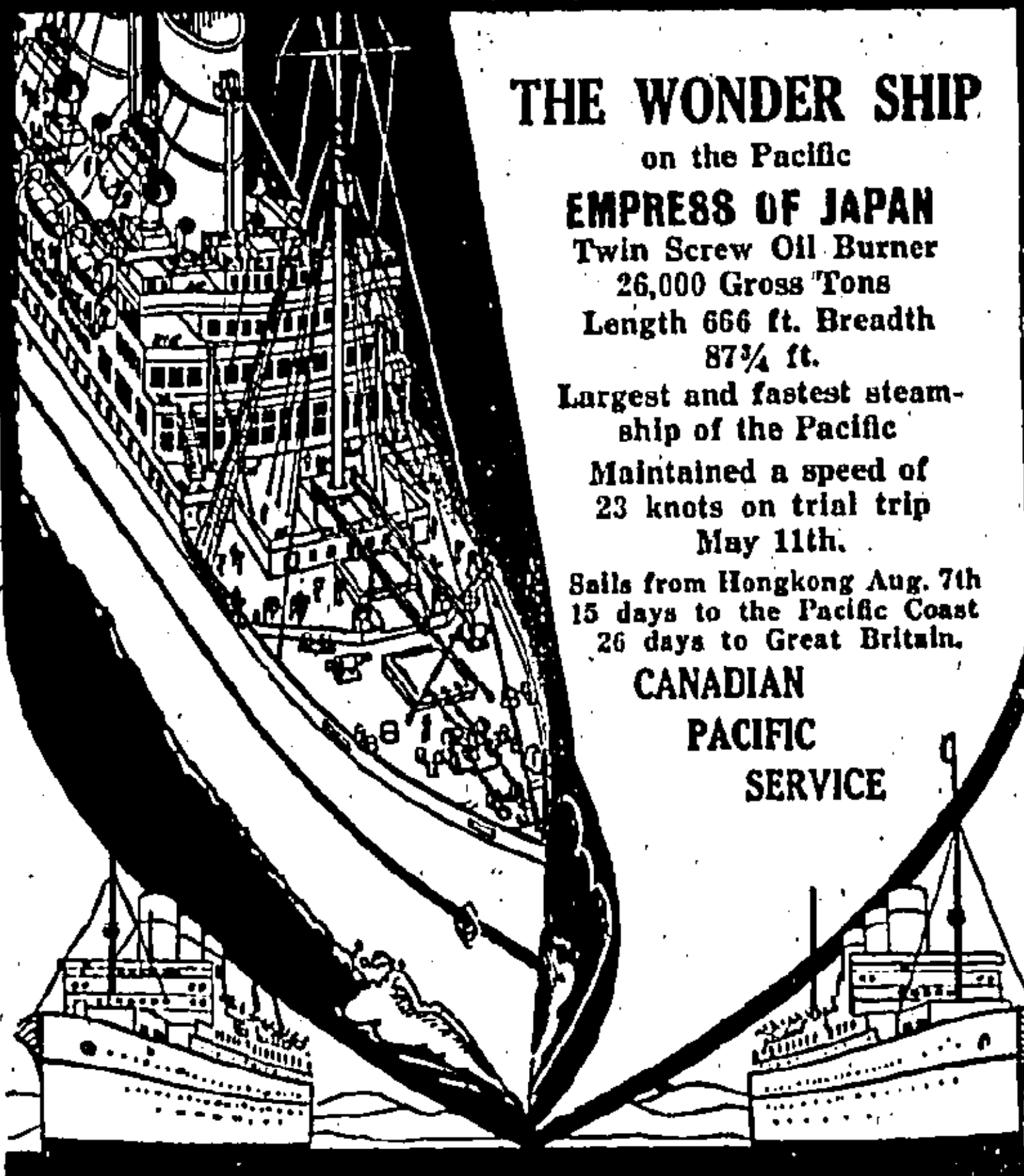
It is intended that the outward and homeward journeys shall be accomplished in 60 days. Simultaneously with the Kara Sea expedition it is proposed to make an experimental voyage on the River Lena. In the interest of the Yakutsk Republic, weather and ice conditions permitting, it is in contemplation to have one hunting ship and one motorship on the Lena, the experiment being calculated to hold out great future possibilities.

A great work will lie before the aeroplanes. This will be specially the case in regard to exploring the ice conditions, which is a matter of particular importance in view of the frequent fogs, while at the same time it will be possible with their aid to determine future districts for the felling of timber. The idea is also to use aeroplanes for the transport of fur skins. At present the Russians are said to miss or to be too late with the delivery of fur skins for the spring auction sales in London, but by the use of aeroplanes it is calculated that the distance from Russia of about 1,200 kilometres could easily be covered by the planes with a small cargo of fur skins.

Last year the Kara Sea expedition was composed of between 80 and 40 ships, of which a dozen were Norwegian. This year it is stated to be intended to equip two expeditions of a combined total of between 60 and 70 ships.

The Russians claim to have already chartered about 150 ships for maritime transport in general

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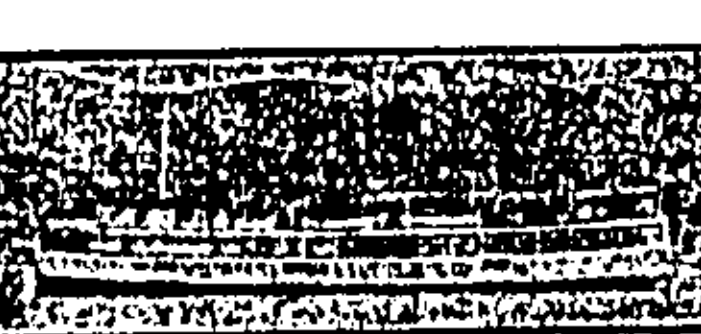
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JUNE.

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SAT. 7th MON. 23rd

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S.S. "TAI MING"

[649 tons—Capt. G. J. Spink.]

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KALYAN	9,144	4th July	Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama.
RAJPUTANA	10,688	18th July	Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama.
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T'au via S'ow & S'hai	KWONGSANG	Wed., 4th June at 10 a.m.
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S'pore, Penang & Calcutta	KUMSANG	Sat., 7th June at 3 p.m.
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Osaka via Amoy, Moji & Kobe	YUENSANG	Wed., 9th July at 7 a.m.
Sandakan	HINSANG	Wed., 28th May at 3 p.m.
T'au via S'ow & Fochow	MAUSANG	Wed., 11th June at 3 p.m.
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expansion in the fleet of this type  
of ship. The accounts of the  
tankship owners for 1929, accord-  
ing to a shareholder in one under-  
taking, in the course of a com-  
munication to the Norwegian  
Journal of Commerce, have shown  
a splendid surplus, and the share-  
holders have rejoiced over the fact,  
and thought that they had placed  
their money in good undertakings.  
However, he states that they have  
rejoiced prematurely, as they have  
not paid attention to the circum-  
stances that in a few years' time  
the ships will be, so to say, of no  
value.

In making this assertion the cor-  
respondent refers to previous ar-  
ticles published in the Oslo news-  
paper, dealing with the large ex-  
penditure incurred on the repair  
of tankers. In one case it was  
stated that after twelve years a  
ship of 16,870 tons had had to in-  
cur an outlay of £100,000, corre-  
sponding to three-fifths of the  
original cost of the ship. On his  
part the correspondent mentions  
that a shipowner at Kristiansand  
bought a motor-tanker of about  
eleven years' old against a survey.  
The ship was refused, as it turned  
out that the motors (engines)  
after working for eleven years  
were very much the worse for  
wear, and after another year new  
motors had to be installed.

Taking the conditions set forth  
as the basis the correspondent  
states that owners will have to  
reconsider that survey 3 will come  
to three-fifths of the ship's normal  
constructional value in the case of  
steam tankers and to four-fifths in  
that of motor-tankers. On the  
same basis it may be established  
that the accounts of the motor-  
tanker owners in reality show a de-  
ficit since the surpluses are by a  
long way not large enough to  
neutralise the costs of survey 3. In  
this connection, however, he states  
that individual ships have escaped  
somewhat more easily. Thus a  
steam tanker of 7,500 tons passed  
through survey 3 last year at a  
cost of about \$1,400 (about 26,000  
kr.).

The correspondent proceeds to  
say that one must admire the  
English shipowners who are so fir-  
sighted and experienced that they  
sell their old tankers of from eight  
to twelve years' old, which, after

what has been said, must be con-  
sidered to be about worthless, and  
one much regret if any Norwegian  
shipowners have really been gull-  
ed. If this is the case many of the  
Norwegian shipowners have much  
to learn from the English.

In conclusion, he expresses the  
hope that the national taxation  
authorities will pay attention to  
the conditions with the short life  
of tankers, so that a considerably  
higher percentage of depreciation  
may be permitted than what is  
the case at present.

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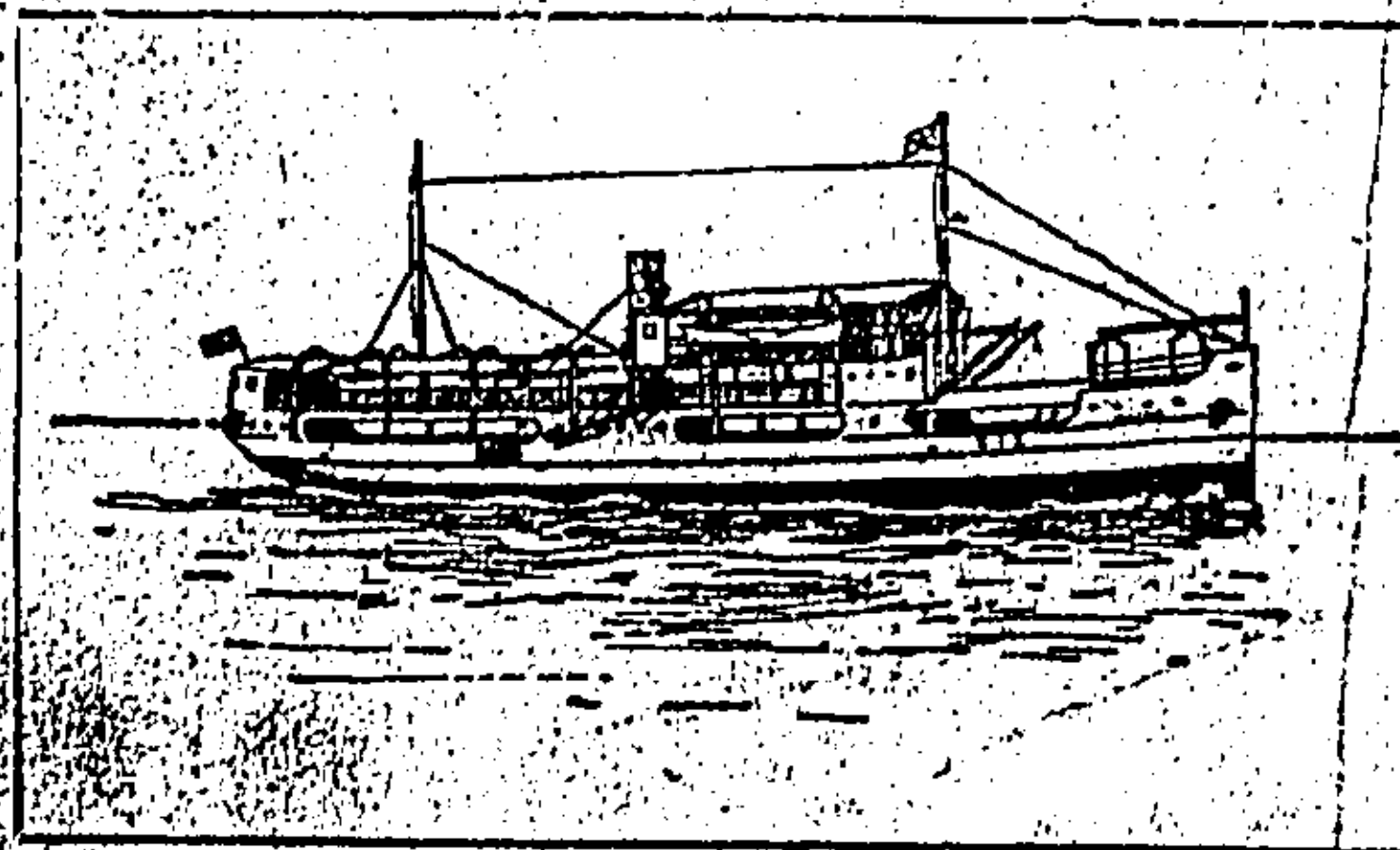
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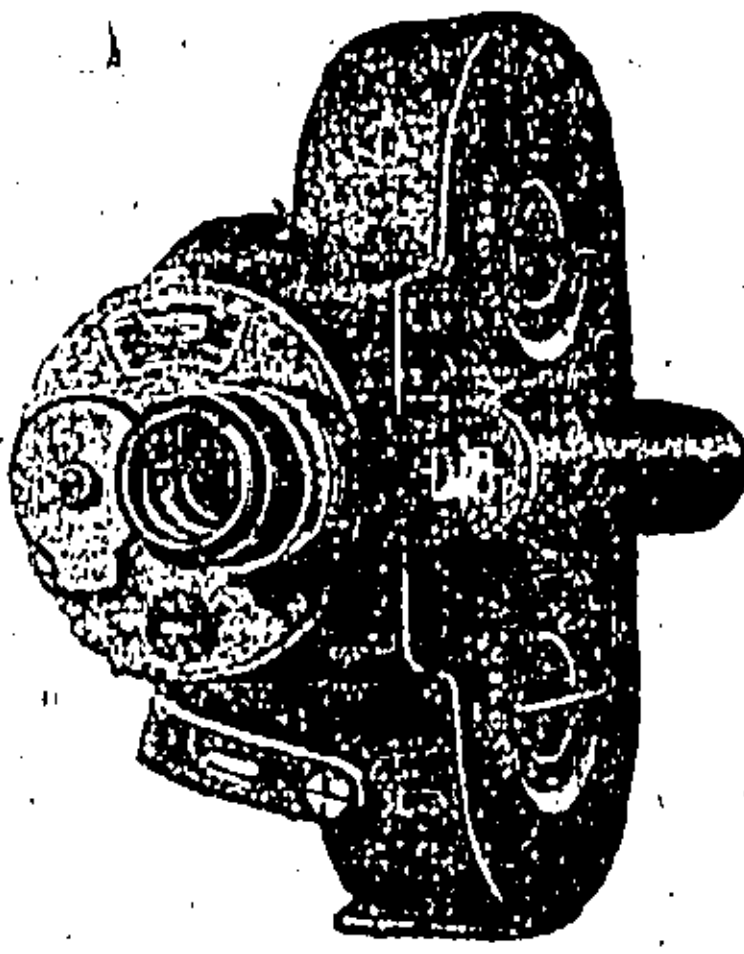
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### THE PRESS.

The Prince of Wales has signified his intention of meeting the delegates to the Imperial Press Conference at a reception to be held at Bridgewater House, the seat of the Earl and Countess of Ellesmere. To the majority of readers this may appear to be a mere item of news of no particular interest. In reality, however, it is indicative of the revolution which has taken place in journalism and which has led to a corresponding change in the attitude of the public to that ancient profession. There was a time—our grandmothers probably remembered it—when members of the theatrical profession were regarded as being beyond the pale, just as they were until recently in democratic China. Eventually the public had to acknowledge the genius of such actors as Seymour, Kean and Irving, before whom they bowed down in the theatres in their reverence for the drama and its interpreters. It was a hard fight to secure recognition, and even the contemporaries of Garrick, who moved himself in a circle of famous and distinguished men and women, were despised by that jury of social manners, the middle classes. It is not necessary for an actor of repute nowadays to pay his tailor "cash down."

If the struggle for recognition by the members of the theatrical profession has been uphill, it has been no less heart-breaking for the profession of journalism. Now that the Press is, due to organisation and financial security, a very definite power in every

realm of public life, we can afford to glance cursorily upon its slow progress without timidity or loss of dignity.

There have been journalists ever since men began to be interested in man—and woman. They did not necessarily write down their impressions on stone or papyrus; they were the men who saw more than the average person, who detected the "human interest" in that which others would pass by without examination as mere detail. In time mankind grew to be dependent upon this class of "observer" and "chronicler," out of whose conversations or pamphlets evolved in the course of centuries the modern newspaper. Although writers of ability like Dr. Samuel Johnson and of genius like De Foe gave lustre and dignity to what was undoubtedly in their time a "miserable pot-boiling trade," many generations of hard and conscientious effort on the part of zealous and honourable men were to pass before the profession was to attain a social status equal to that of the legal and medical professions.

But to-day the position of journalism in world affairs is assured and its disciples are recognised by the leaders of society, of political and industrial life. Men of the calibre of the late Mr. T. P. O'Connor, Mr. J. L. Garvin of the Observer, Mr. A. G. Gardiner, Mr. St. John Adcock, and others, have established themselves and their profession on an unshakable pedestal of eminence, and few men of import can afford to ignore or neglect the influence of the Press. There is still much that needs to be done for the individual journalist, however, particularly in the lesser cities and towns where the spirit of parochialism obtains. Other than in the great cities there is still a suspicion by business men of newspapers and journalists, whose profession is not recognised as a profession because to enter it one needs no University degrees or other qualifications than intelligence and the ability to write. Undoubtedly, there is room for improvement here, and the time will come when positions on newspapers will be open to those only who are able to qualify for examinations equivalent to those for entrance into the other professions. Whilst this will undoubtedly enhance the prestige of the profession, it will lose it the services of a number of brilliant and imaginative men whose gifts do not include the ability to pass examinations. The only remedy in such an event would appear to be the modification of examina-

tions to suit the temperament and requirements of journalism. It is only fair to the public, whose educator the newspaper largely is, that the journalist should aspire to achieve an intellectual and moral standard, if only because of the great potentialities of the influence of character and individual beliefs through his writings. The journalist is gradually replacing the preacher and not a few ecclesiastics are exchanging the pulpit for the editorial chair. On the other hand, the public have a duty to discharge to journalism which they have been slow to realise. Not only have they failed to treat the members of the profession with dignity and respect, but are often under the impression that a reporter is a voluntary lackey to every member of the public. The day will dawn when it will be "the thing" to put sons and daughters in journalism, and people will look back on the evil times when journalists were despised as at some historic and unbelievable event of an ignorant civilisation.

### News in Brief

The Hong Kong Branch of the R. E. Old Comrades' Association has been allotted places in the King's Birthday Parade to be held on June 3.

Sir Robert Ho Tung will be leaving for Shanghai per the s.s. Ranpura to-morrow, the 23rd inst., and will be away from the Colony for about three weeks.

About half a dozen Chinese children were at the Kowloon Magistrate's court this morning cautioned on charges of hawking without licenses. His Worship promised the boys a caning the next time.

The official opening of the Clubhouse of the Flying Club at Kai Tak will take place on May 31 at 4 p.m. His Excellency the Governor, Sir William Peel, K.B.E., C.M.G., will perform the opening ceremony.

Mr. D. E. Cappleman, of the Standard Oil Co. of New York, whose death took place at the Italian Hospital, Peak Road, yesterday, was cremated after a burial service at the Protestant Cemetery, Happy Valley, last evening.

For the theft of a cotton singlet from a Chinese doctor living at 379 Shanghai Street, a street coolie was at the Kowloon Magistracy this morning sentenced to four months' hard labour. He is an old banished, having returned to the Colony in 1917.

Having committed an offence in 1921, for which he got fourteen days' jail, a Chinese was at the Kowloon Police Court this morning sentenced to four months' jail with hard labour, for the theft of a pair of trousers from a Chinese woman's basket at 43 Kremer Street. Accused was a fellow-lodger up to the time of the theft, when he disappeared, but was later arrested.

### OLD MOORE.

#### Happier Life to Begin in 1931.

What does 1931 hold in store? Let the prophetic voice of Old Moore speak through the pages of Foulsham's Almanack, as it has done every year since 1897.

Old Moore is optimistic. He starts off in a foreword with a clarion cry: "Britons! get ready and prepare for the new and happier state of life which begins in 1931."

There are "black" days, however, in Old Moore's Calendar. On January 5 he predicts the death of an important member of the Ministry. February is a "black" month for India, and the old seer prophesies outbreak of violence and lawlessness in Calcutta.

Theatre Warning. Theatre goers should know of Old Moore's warning about March 20, a day which he has set apart for a disaster in a London theatre "which will exact a heavy toll among the younger generation."

March, in fact, in spite of the foreword, seems to be full of misadventure, accidents and disasters.

A famous political Minister will "pass over," according to Old Moore, in June, which is a bad month for our own Royal Family.

Old Moore has fixed the fall of the Government for the middle of October, and the return of a new National Party. Foreign and Empire trade will be one of the main issues before the electorate.

### MID-LEVELS AMENITIES.

#### NEW MOTOR ROAD TO BE READY.

##### PLAYGROUND SITES.

The fourth ordinary general meeting of the Mid-Levels Residents' Association was held yesterday at the offices of Messrs. Shewan Tomes & Co. Ltd., and was presided over by Mr. A. L. Shields.

Addressing the meeting, the Chairman said, inter alia:—  
Perhaps the subject of most interest to residents of the Mid-Levels is the work which has been put in hand for the motor road—a project which your Association has brought into being by constantly urging our claims for adequate transport facilities. I should mention that since the report was issued we have received a communication from Government to the effect that it is anticipated the road will be completed by next November, therefore by the end of the year you will be able to experience the long awaited pleasure of driving home by car—or at least as far as May Road Tram Station.

##### Extension Possible.

Later as you may know, the intention is to carry the road on past Queen's Gardens and it is hoped Government will start work on this section at an early date to enable traffic to proceed at least as far as Aigburth Hall when section 1 is completed.

##### For The Children.

Personal observation will confirm the fact that, at the moment, most of the children—and here I speak for May Road—congregate either on those parts of the road sheltered from the sun, or in the vicinity of the Tram Station. Both spots are undesirable and certainly dangerous from the point of view of traffic, and whilst claiming very little knowledge of the science of infant welfare, I would also suggest that they are unhealthy, particularly when cutting and filling takes place for extension of the road. I should, therefore, like to hear from some of the members here to-night, better qualified to speak in this respect than myself, as to possible sites which we might suggest to Government for development as a children's playground.

##### "Marooned" In May Road.

The next matter I have to comment on is what must be called the unfortunate affair of the telephone box. To refresh your memories on the subject I must take you back to nearly two years ago when the committee received complaints from several members regarding the lack of facilities for obtaining chairs on a rainy day, or in any way being unable to communicate with anyone once you were landed—and isolated—at May Road Tram Station in a downpour. Your Committee, therefore, negotiated with the Telephone Company, who eventually compromised with us on the basis that we should install the box and pay for the telephone as an ordinary subscriber.

I do not propose to dilate here on the duties of a public utility company, but I do think that the display of a more generous spirit on their part and the installation of public call boys would not have involved them in much loss. Unless, therefore, we are in for a long spell of wet weather, the box, under present conditions, will continue to show a loss and I, therefore, recommend that it be dismantled.

##### Noisy Police Reserves.

I do not know if members are aware of the cause of the frequent "bangs" which take place almost nightly up to about 11 a.m. The real reason is that the Police Reserves are practising on the revolver range just below the L.R.C.—and after dinner. I certainly think they might choose a more deserted locality or a different hour. We have done nothing officially yet, but I am told unofficially that in future revolver practice will probably stop at 7.30 p.m.

##### The Officers.

After the report and statement of accounts had been adopted, the committee was re-elected en bloc with power to add to their number and elect officers. Messrs. J. H. Brister and O. Steenstra having left the Colony, the present Committee consists of:—Messrs. A. L. Shields, Chairman, J. H. Backhouse, J. T. Bagram, L. Dunbar, A. H. Ferguson, Henry Humphreys, Mrs. G. Harman, Miss M. Kussell, and T. A. Martin, Hon. Secretary and Treasurer. During the latter's absence last year the duties were kindly carried out by Mr. Alan Reid.

##### Discussions.

Some discussions turned on the question of a suitable site for a children's playground, and it was finally decided to write to Government in regard to three possible sites, namely, a piece of vacant ground in front of an L.R.C. tennis court; a grass tennis court at Queen's Gardens; and a piece of ground on the west side of Peak Road below the bridge.

### ROUND THE CINEMAS

#### "Wild Orchids" at the Star Theatre.

##### JAVANESE JUNGLE.

Greta Garbo in "Wild Orchids" was produced last night at the Star Theatre as the main feature in the programme. It is a film relating to the life of a Javanese prince (John Gilbert) and the adventures of a married couple in this land of everlasting heat. The scenic splendour was beyond dispute and the artistry of the palace and its inhabitants was very realistic, but in this land of perpetual heat Greta Garbo must need a scarf, a tight fitting hat, and a fur!

The dances performed by the Prince's retainers were fantastic and delightful, especially the sword dance which was performed by swarthy Javanese males. The surroundings of the royal palace were magnificent, the rooms luxurious, and the servants respectfully obedient to their imperial master.

A tiger hunt, which is arranged by the Prince in an endeavour to sever connections between John Sterling (Lewis Stone) and his wife (Greta Garbo), is interesting and realistic on account of the superb photography. The regal elephants, with their human burdens, foraging their way through dense jungle whilst the roaring of a tiger can be imagined in the distance, provide a picturesque and fascinating spectacle.

The story is the story of the films—the eternal triangle. On the one side a prosperous and elderly owner of a tea plantation and a young and beautiful wife who is very much in love with her husband; and on the other side, the handsome, young, and passionate native prince. How the battle rages for the prize of beauty and how it culminates in the dead of night in the midst of the jungle with a man-eating tiger, is the duty of all Star patrons to witness.

##### ORIENTAL COMPLEX.

#### Home Like Translated. Chinese Mansions.

If there is one thing that is required of a leading lady in the movies it is versatility, according to pretty Dorothy Devore, who is seen featured in support of Ken Maynard in "Senor Daredevil," a First National picture which will be shown at the Majestic Theatre, Kowloon, to-day.

The social rooms of Miss Devore's spacious home in Hollywood and her own bedroom are furnished and decorated entirely after the Chinese manner. The "table" is laid on the dining room floor. She wears Chinese pyjama suits in all her informal hours at home and has only Chinese servants and a cook.

Miss Devore wants it thoroughly understood that she doesn't confine her diet to chop-suey, which, as she'll tell you, is not a Chinese dish at all, but an American "invention." Moreover, her Chinese furnishings and ornaments were not made in Rahway, N.J., but were brought directly from the Orient, many of them by Miss Devore herself.

In "Senor Daredevil" Miss Devore has the sympathetic part of Sally Blake, who conducts the "eating house" in a California mining town during a gold rush.

She doesn't wear a Chinese suit in the whole picture, but her practical little riding habits and gingham gowns are very pretty, in keeping with her role. The picture was directed by Al Rogell, with a large featured cast. It is a Charles R. Rogers production.

#### Ten Years Ago

[From the "China Mail,"  
May 23, 1920.]

To-day's dollar is worth 4/3½d.

The Rt. Hon. Sir Joseph West Ridgeway, P.C., G.C.B., G.C.M.G., K.C.S.I., is a guest of His Excellency the Governor and Lady Stubbs, at Government House for a few days whilst awaiting the departure of the s.s. Novara which is taking him back to England.

When a Chinese driver was charged before Mr. N. L. Smith this morning for leaving his car unattended, he stated that a person calling himself "Commander Kenderson," had ordered the car to be sent to the Hong Kong Hotel. From there he went to Spring Garden Lane and to the Naval Canton.

When he was asked for payment, the "Commander" refused to pay. The "Commander" tore the chit and hit him. The man then ran away, and he chased after him. That was the reason why his car was left unattended.

In dismissing the summons his Worship said it was a very difficult position for a Chinese to be in and to have to pursue a disreputable Englishman.



## EDUCATION IN THE COLONY.

### RADICAL REFORMS ARE NEEDED.

#### POSITION NOT REALISED.

From a reader the *China Mail* has received a letter and a series of articles on the subject of education, a perusal of which we confidently recommend to all interested in the subject and of which we shall be glad to have the views of others.

[To the Editor of "China Mail."] Sir,—Some pointed questions have been asked recently about the system and cost of Education in Hong Kong. I have recently gone to considerable trouble in the matter and have collected some very pertinent facts, after discussing the matter with quite a variety of friends, some of whom are in the Government Service, many are engaged in Schools and several are prominent business men, some of whom serve on local Committees of Grant-in-Aid Schools.

My conclusion is that the Colony does not realise the position as regards Education, and very possibly, in very much the same way, does not realise the position in regard to other Government Departments. It is my firm conclusion that, for example, in both the Medical and Education Departments radical reforms are needed. We now have a very energetic and far-seeing Director of Medical and Sanitary Services, who, if given the chance, will produce long overdue reforms in Medical matters. As there has not been a Director of Education for some fourteen months, as during the last sixteen years, the position has so often been filled by "Acting" appointments, and as there is a vacancy now, it would appear to be a very opportune moment for the new Governor to make changes in the Education Department, which, from facts which I shall present, seems to be a very expensive department in certain of its own Schools and which, at the same time, pays very meagre Grants to the Grant-in-Aid Schools, and especially to those Schools with British Teachers on their Staff.

My main points are: (1) Could we have a new Director of Education appointed from East or West Africa, or from the Straits Settlements, or from Shanghai? I have reasons for mentioning all these places.

(2) The Grant-in-Aid Schools are starved, although they do so much valuable work in the Colony. They should be supported more generously by the Government. The system of the Grants is out-of-date, and poor salaries are paid to the Staffs.

(3) The Government Schools only reach a small proportion of the population, and that at a high and, in some cases, at an unnecessary cost.

(4) If the system of Education in Hong Kong were based upon the same system of Grants as in England, the Straits Settlements and elsewhere, many more scholars would receive Education at a cost which would average less than the cost at present in Government Schools.

I am sending to you articles or notes on the following:

(1) The system of Education in Hong Kong.

(2) Notes on the Salaries Commission—The Education Department.

(3) Return showing the cost of Secondary Schools.

(4) A list of fees charged at certain Schools in Hong Kong.

(5) A comparison made between the Grants made to English Grant Schools in Hong Kong and in the Straits Settlements, and between the systems in the two places.

Yours etc, Lux.

SYSTEM EXAMINED.

Comparison Between Various Type of Schools.

There are several kinds of schools, viz.

1. Government Schools—A—British Schools for British Children: There are five such Schools, viz.: Central British, Kowloon Junior, Peak, Victoria British and Quarry Bay. For these Schools there were in 1927, thirty-four certificated Teachers and the number of scholars on the roll was 436. (Average Attendance—342). The average cost per head per annum to Government at the Central British School, which is a Secondary School (See later in my "Return of Secondary Schools") is, after deducting fees, \$592 per annum per Scholar. This cost does not, so far as I know, include the cost of passages, pensions, furloughs and repairs to buildings.

Economy might be made by using more Pupil Teachers or Teachers in Training at all the above Schools and by reducing starting salaries.

B—English Teaching Government Schools. For other than British Pupils. The total number on the roll in 1928 was 3,228. (Average Attendance 2,858). These School include such Schools as

Colleges as King's and Queen's Colleges, Ellis Kadoorie, Yaumatei, Wansai, Gap Road, Taikoo, Un Long, Ellis Kadoorie for Indians, Cheung Chau, and Belilios Public School for Girls, most of which rank as Secondary Schools (See my "Return of Secondary Schools"). The cost per head to Government of boys educated at King's and Queen's College is, after deducting fees, \$127 and \$170 per annum.

At these two Colleges the fees charged are \$96 per annum for senior boys in Classes 1, 2 and 3, and \$60 per annum for boys in Classes 4 to 8. At King's College the boys have the use of a Swimming Bath, Library, elaborately fitted Science Rooms, Gymnasium, an Art Room etc. No Grant-in-Aid Schools can compete with this. I doubt if there is any Secondary School in England which offers such facilities for such fees. They can be found in Canada and America but there the people pay heavy taxes. No wonder that King's College is full to overflowing. "You have one of the finest School buildings in the East fitted almost regardless of cost with everything which the heart of the most modern educational enthusiast can desire."

Yet, in spite of the large sums spent on King's College (they must come to a total of considerably more than a million dollars), it is easy to criticise the way in which the money has been lavished on the buildings, equipment, etc., in addition to the high cost of education there. For example, the College is built at the corner of two very busy roads; artificial light is needed in its Hall during examinations; at its opening ceremony it was hardly possible to hear the speakers, because of the noise in the streets, and a regret was expressed that it had no playing fields; several of its classrooms are below the level of the road and have dark green tiles all round the walls which make them darker than they need be. But, I am digressing somewhat. At Queen's and King's College there were, in 1928, 1,344 boys on the roll with an average attendance of 1,224. For these Scholars there were 29 certificated Teachers, 27 Anglo-Chinese Masters and 17 Vernacular Masters.

2. English Grant-in-Aid Schools—Grant Schools are Non-Government Schools and are generally Church Schools. In 1928 there were fifteen such Schools giving Secondary education, viz.: St. Joseph's College, Italian Convent, French Convent, Diocesan Girls' School, Diocesan Boys' School, St. Mary's, St. Francis, St. Joseph's, Brancan, St. Paul's College, Wah Yan, St. Stephen's Girls' College, Fairlea, Victoria Home, Ying Wah and St. Paul's Girls. In these English Grant Church Schools there were on the roll, in 1928, 5,268 scholars (Average Attendance 4,658). The figures for English Government Secondary Schools which do the same work as these Non-Government Schools are 3,051, with an average attendance of 2,786. (Also see my "Return on Secondary Schools"). Thus it will be seen that the Grant-in-Aid Schools supply education in Secondary Schools for many more scholars than the Government Schools. The figures are taken from the Blue Book for 1928. Now let us examine the cost to the Colony of Grant-in-Aid Schools. The cost per head per annum to Government for educating a Scholar in a Grant-in-Aid School is fixed by the Grant Code which pays very meagre Grants indeed, viz:

For Scholars in Classes 1 and 2, \$50 per annum per head.

For Scholars in Classes 3 to 6, \$30 per annum per head.

For Scholars in Classes 7 and 8, \$20 per annum per head.

A comparison as to the cost in Government Secondary Schools will be found in my Return to the same. From this Return it will be seen that the Government Secondary Schools educate 2,786 scholars (Average Attendance) at a cost to the Colony of \$410,500; The Church Secondary Schools

educate 5,268 scholars at a cost of \$129,000. These figures, after deducting fees, are taken from the 1928 Blue Book. These Schools do not cost the Colony the same as Government Schools, but, at present, some of them are starved, especially those which employ British Staffs, and, as stated elsewhere, only get the same grants as schools with local Staffs. In the Straits Settlements such Schools are financed in a similar way to Government Schools, but even then they are less expensive than Government Schools and the Staff do not get Pension, or the full allowances of the Government Schools. A somewhat similar system in Hong Kong would appear to be the only equitable system. Some of these Grant Schools, that is those under Mission, receive financial help from Missionary Societies in England; others, like the two Diocesan Schools, receive no such help and are what we might call Colonial Church Schools.

3.—There are other kinds of Schools all of which have to be registered, viz.: (1) Private English Schools—e.g. such as St. Stephen's Boys' College at Stanley. Such a School receives no local Grant but part of its Staff is paid by Grants from the Church Missionary Society, London. (2) Government Vernacular Schools (3) Vernacular Grant Schools (Non-Government). (4) Private Schools, Urban Districts, (5) Private Schools, Rural Districts.

4.—Vernacular Education has received great encouragement in recent years. If the greatest good is to be done for the greatest number, the Government might well consider increasing its work in Vernacular Schools, where adequate fees can be charged, and where the fees can more proportionately meet the cost of education. At the same time it should be remembered that a surfeit of education, suddenly, is bad for a country. The most outstanding example of this can be seen, for example, in the Philippine Islands.

The weak point in the Government Vernacular Education is the lack of English Inspectors. The position of English Inspector of Vernacular Education was, in the opinion of very many people, very unwisely abolished in 1925. If this type of education is to be encouraged, English Inspectors, with a knowledge of Chinese, should be appointed.

In Hong Kong the Government might well support existing Secondary Schools, especially those with British Teachers, and let the Churches continue their excellent work. They have Schools and fees which suit all kinds of people and, generally speaking, as was acknowledged in a certain Commission on education elsewhere, there is less likelihood of students getting "up the gait" in Government than in Church Schools than there is in Government Schools. That is obvious.

It is, however, certain that the Colony of Hong Kong, with its present revenue and system of taxation, cannot afford to continue to educate scholars in Government Secondary Schools at the cost of \$410,500 per annum for 2,786 Scholars.

—Lux.

## RADIO FANS TO PAY MORE?

### H.E. THE GOVERNOR WANTS GUIDANCE.

#### "IF RATES ARE DOUBLED."

His Excellency Sir William Peel made a very friendly gesture to the Unofficial members of the Finance Committee of the Legislative Council yesterday through the Hon. Mr. W. T. Southern (Colonial Secretary), who presided at the meeting of the Finance Committee.

In regard to the vote for \$50,000 for a broadcast transmitter, the Chairman said:

I am instructed by His Excellency to say that it appears to him that \$50,000 is rather a large sum of money to spend on this transmitter but he is prepared to be guided by the advice of the Unofficial members of the Finance Committee. His Excellency said he was not sufficiently acquainted with the position at the moment to say definitely whether the money should be spent and he is therefore prepared to be guided by your advice. The Director of Public Works can give any further information members desire.

To Raise Licence Fees?

The Director of Public Works—

Mr. King informs me that the present broadcasting apparatus, which is only half a kilowatt, is old and out of date. The new one will be a 2-K.W. transmitter and besides being useful for meteorological warnings broadcast to ships—more particularly to the small ships using the port—it will much improve broadcasting in the Colony. It will be of the same strength as the one in Canton. Mr. King anticipates it will be possible to raise licence fees for broadcasting. He has placed figures before me which show that if the present rates are doubled we shall have an income of \$35,000 in 1931 and for \$39,000 in 1932 from licences alone. This will more than pay for the cost of the instrument.

After further discussions, the vote was approved.

The other votes, as published in the *China Mail* yesterday, were all approved.

TO-DAY'S PROGRAMME.

The following programme will be broadcast to-day from the Hong Kong Broadcasting Station Z.B.W. on 235 metres:—

6-7 p.m.—Chinese Programme.

7-7.30 p.m.—Lesson in Cantonese by Rev. H. R. Wells.

7.30-10.30 p.m.—Programme of Columbia Records by Courtesy of Messrs. Anderson Music Company.

"Aida-Selection" (Verdi arr. Tuvan).

New Queen's Hall Light Orchestra Conducted by Percy Pitt.

"Orpheus With His Lute" (Shakespeare-Sullivan).

"Danny Boy" (Weatherly-Londonderry Air).

Dora Labbette, Soprano with Piano.

"I Found Sunshine In Your Smile" (Leslie and Gilbert).

"Virginia" (Bryan, Schuster and Phillips).

Layton and Johnstone, American Duoists, with Piano.

"Cavatina" (Raff-Op. 35, No. 3).

"Hungarian Dance in D Minor" (Brahms Joachim).

Violin Solo by Arthur Catterall with Piano.

"The Gondoliers" (Gilbert & Sullivan).

"The Knotting Song" (Sir C. Sedley & H. Purcell, edited E. Duncan).

John Coates, Tenor (Gerald Moore at the Piano).

"Lucky Girl" (Furber, Weston, Lee & Charles) Payne & the B.B.C. Dance Orchestra.

"Parted" (Tosti).

"Walt" (Gay d'Hardelet), Hubert Eisdell, Tenor with Piano.

"Manolo" (Waldteufel).

"Erin" (Mareux).

Recorded at the National Union of School Orchestra 1927 Concert at the Crystal Palace, conducted by Allen Gill, F.R.A.M.

"Lumber Love" (Stiles & Emmett Adams), Lyceum Theatre Chorus with Lyceum Theatre Orchestra.

"Two Black Crows in Hand" (Moran & Mack).

"Wood Nymphs" (Eric Coates), "Summer Days Suite" (Eric Coates), New Queen's Hall Light Orchestra, conducted by Eric Coates.

"The Emigrant" (Macfarren & Grieg).

"The Nightingale" (Corder & Grieg).

Dora Labbette, Soprano with Orchestra.

"Marching Song" (Gustav Holst).

"The Planets" (Gustav Holst), Gustav Holst, conducting the London Symphony Orchestra.

"Two Black Crows in the Jail House" (Mack).

"Hypocrites" (J. J. Gunn).

"Jolly Fellows" (Vallstedt), New Concert Orchestra, conducted by Anton Welas.

"Lucia Di Lammermoor" (Donizetti).

"La Sonnambula" (Bellini).

Maria Gentile, Dina Borgioli, G. Pedroni, I. Mammari & La Scala Chorus with Orchestra.

"The Maid of the Mountains" (Tate, Morgan & Fraser Simon), London Repertory Orchestra.

"Kilmarney" (M. W. Balfe).

"Kathleen Mavourneen" (F. N. Crouch).

Francis Russell, Tenor with Orchestra.

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Duet: Dora Labbette and Norman Allin, with Piano.

Piano Exaggerations: No. 1—Louse Elbows" (Billy Mayerl).

No. 2—"Antiquary" (Billy Mayerl).

Pianoforte Solo by Billy Mayerl.

"The Lea Rig" (Burns-J. M. Dick).

"The Road to the Isles" (M. Kennedy-Fraser).

Laidlaw Murray, Baritone, with Piano.

Puppets Suite: No. 1—"Gollivog" (Mayerl).

No. 2—"Judy" (Mayerl).

Piano Solo by Billy Mayerl.

10.30—Close Down.

BRITAIN AND EGYPT.

(Continued from Page 1.)

facilities for the other in foreign countries; the British recognition of Egypt's responsibility for the lives and property of foreigners in Egypt; an agreement of each to come to the aid of the other as an ally should it ever become engaged in war. It was also provided possible at an early stage to reach agreement on certain formal articles of the proposed draft.

Regarding the draft clauses eight and ten, it was agreed that their substance should be embodied in an exchange of notes indicating Britain's appreciation of Egypt's desire to facilitate progressively the Egyptianisation of services, but that the termination of employment of British officials should not involve their replacement by some other foreign influence. There was discussion on the next draft clause dealing with capitulations, but complete agreement on this complex subject was reached. After discussion draft clause 12, relating to diplomatic representation, was also accepted.

Very lengthy discussions on the question of the defence of the Suez Canal, which formed the basis of draft clause nine, resulted in an agreement to the concentration of British forces to the west of the Canal in the neighbourhood of Ismailia, subject to reduction from 25 to 20 years of period during which the treaty would not be open to revision except by mutual consent.

Problem of Soudan.

It was early recognised that the Soudan, which was the subject of clause 13 of last year's proposals, was likely to present a formidable problem and, as events proved, it was the inability to reach accord upon the phrasing of this article that caused the final breakdown. During the discussions an adjournment was sought to enable Nashed Pasha to consult his colleagues in Cairo, and ultimately on May 6 he communicated a complete but modified draft of the treaty which was the alternative for the Soudan article, together with the new draft. This was to be annexed to the treaty. The alternative Egyptian drafts proved later that the Soudan question should be reserved for future negotiations for one year, or that it would be reserved for future negotiations and that, meanwhile, the facts position obtaining in the Soudan before 1924 should be restored. A similar suggestion having already been rejected, Nashed Pasha was informed that until he agreed to a restoration of the British draft no treaty was possible. At a meeting which took place the following day the Egyptian delegation expressed their willingness to accept the British draft with some amendments.

## MR. A. REMEDIOS.

### Death of Former Hong Kong Man.

Tientsin, May 12.

The death occurred at Victoria Hospital on Saturday night (May 10) of Mr. A. M. P. Remedios, who has been in the employ of the local branch of the Chartered Bank practically ever since it was established here, and was before then with the bank in Hong Kong, where he was born 67 years ago. He underwent an operation two or three days ago for an internal trouble, to which he succumbed. Older residents will remember his skill at Billiards, a game at which he used to be very successful, winning many local tournaments.

The funeral took place at the Race-Course Road Cemetery.



A LABOUR "FREEEL"—Sir Oswald Mosely, a young Labour member of Parliament, who resigned his post in the Cabinet, is shown here with his equal in the former Lady Cynthia Curzon, daughter of the former Lord Curzon of India.

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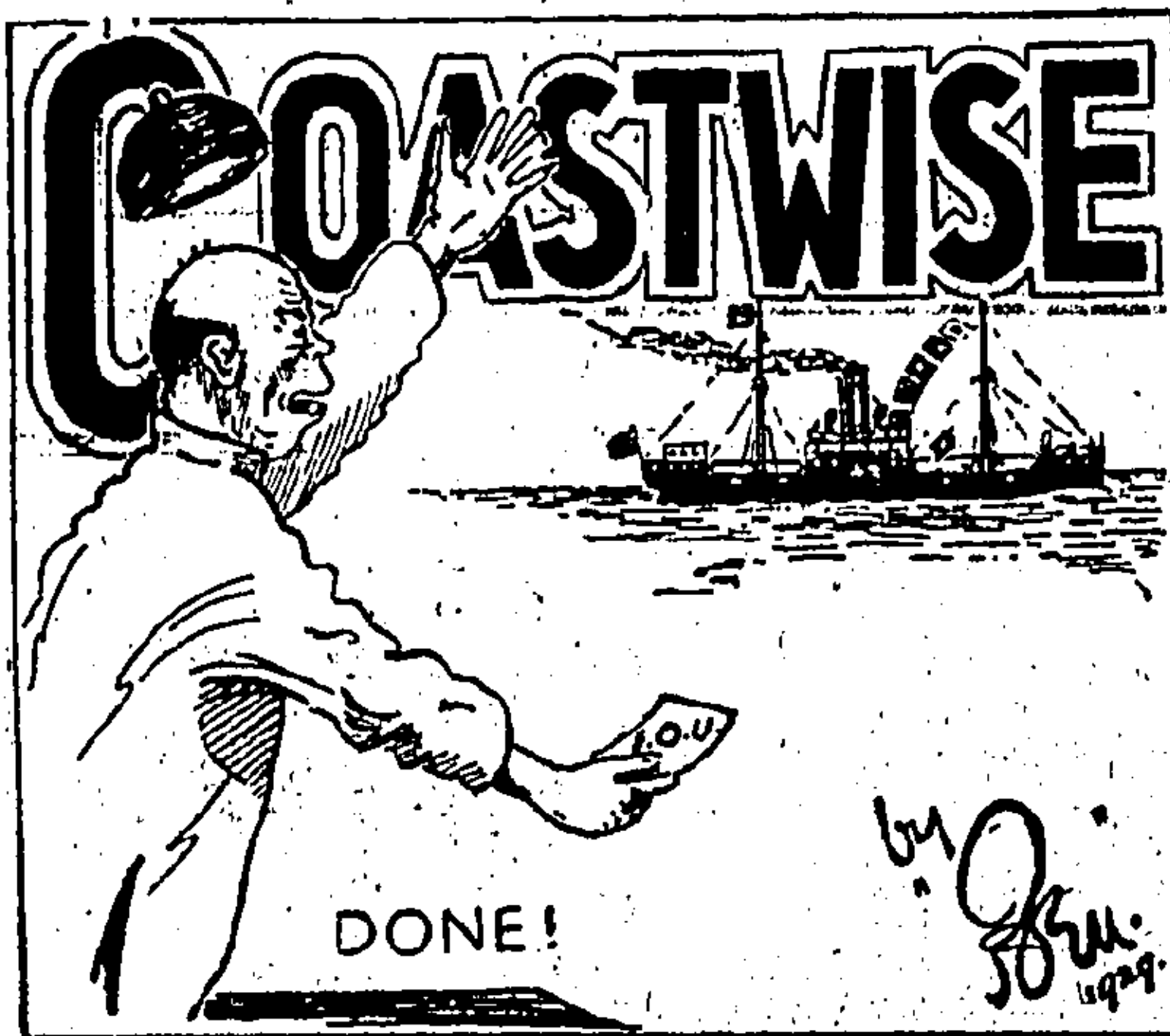
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## Sport Columns

### LAWN BOWLS.

#### Prospects for Games To-morrow.

##### PERSONNEL OF THE TEAMS.

(By "Short Head.")  
Another series of interesting League matches is down for decision to-morrow, but owing to considerations of space brevity in dealing with them is a necessity. First on the official card is the meeting between the Kowloon Bowling Green Club and the Civil Service Cricket Club. Last year to-morrow's visitors went down by 61-58 and after the Craigengower C.C. left both points behind them a week ago they will have to go all out to avoid the same fate. They will have two changes in their team as compared with a week ago, Oswald retaining his place in Brown's rink and Moss having Taylor as No. 3. I hear that in the Kowloon team Holland is unavailable and that Gow will take his place. The feeling in Kowloon is that it will be a close game but that the locals will just get home by a close margin.

**C.C.C. v. Police.**  
This is one of those games where the unexpected may happen, for the Police are by no means downhearted. They lost here by only three last season. The Craigengower C.C. realise that they cannot afford to give any more points away, particularly on their own green, and they are likely to amass as big a score as possible before that fatal tea interval arrives. A year ago this match was won by the home team by 62-50. After their tie with Tai Koo a week ago they should consider their chances to-morrow very good. On the other hand, the Dock have some good fighters and will make the Club de Recreo go the whole way.

**Tai Koo v. K.C.C.**  
Tai Koo won a year ago by 75-47, and the composition of their rinks to-morrow suggests that they are likely to win again, even though the margin be smaller. So far the Tai Koo Club have won one, lost one, and drawn one, whilst the K.C.C. have won one and lost two.

**Second Division.**  
The Civil Service C.C. are at home to the Craigengower C.C. and as they lost last season by 58-53 they may expect to be pushed all the way to-morrow. Whilst the Civil Service have won three games, the Craigengower have won only one, so that this season's form favours the former if they exercise a little care.

**Electric v. Tai Koo.**  
The home team won last year by 64-59. This year the Electric have lost three matches and the Tai Koo two matches (the latter having played only two). A win for the Electric would please their supporters immensely, but Tai Koo may also consider that it is time that they began to collect some points.

**Yacht Club v. K.B.G.C.**  
The result last season was 52-51 in favour of the K.B.G.C. This season the Yacht Club have won one and lost one, whilst the K.B.G.C. have had three fairly comfortable wins. Unless a debacle happens on one of the rinks to-morrow the result should be almost as close as last season, with the winners hard to choose beforehand.

**K.C.C. v. Club de Recreo.**  
A year ago the Club de Recreo won by 71-54. So far this season the K.C.C. have won two and lost one match, whilst the de Recreo have lost two and won one. The advantage of ground may just turn the scales in favour of the K.C.C.

#### TO-MORROW'S TEAMS.

**Division I.**  
Tai Koo R.C.—J. C. Chalmers, J. Polson, J. Russell and W. Wotherspoon (Skip).  
J. B. Chapman, T. Grimes, N. Drummond and J. Ferguson (Skip).  
C. McLeod, J. Sloan (Sen.), J. Laid and R. Wallace (Skip).  
**K.C.C.—F. Goodwin, H. Overly, J. C. Lyle and L. E. Lammert (Skip).**  
H. Githa, C. J. Tacchi, A. Hyde Lay and J. Fraser (Skip).  
A. C. Burford, J. Howe, B. E. Petheram and A. E. Silkstone (Skip).  
**C.S.C.—H. Simmonds, H. W. Sloan (jun.), T. Swan, G. H. Stewart and D. Walmaley (Skip).**  
Civil Service C.C.—F. H. Holdman, R. R. Wood, J. W. Deakin and H. W. Haynes (Skip).  
L. G. Luck, H. Strange, R. E. Davies and W. E. Hollands (Skip).  
L. R. Whant, J. J. Blackford, E. J. Holland and A. E. Murphy (Skip).

### HOME CRICKET.

#### W. H. Ponsford Gets Going.

##### TOURISTS' ADVANTAGE.

London, Yesterday.  
The first day's play in the match between the Australians and Derbyshire at Chesterfield yielded little interest beyond the fact that Derby became the first county to score above the double century against the tourists. The county scored 215 and at the close of play the "Aussies" were 54 with all their wickets outstanding.

To-day the tourists completed their innings for 348 runs. W. H. Ponsford followed up his 82 not out against the M.C.C. by scoring 131, his first century of the tour and the sixth Australian century. Archie Jackson, who made 64 against the M.C.C., was again in form with the bat, scoring 63. Worthington followed up his 79 against the Australians by taking 4 wickets for 103 runs and Mitchell, a right handed slow bowler, took 4 wickets for 78 runs. Derbyshire thus bat to-day with 133 runs to knock off before any progress can be made.

**Scores:—**  
Derbyshire: 215 (Storer 65, Worthington 79, P. M. Hornbrook 6-61).  
Australians: 348 (W. H. Ponsford 131, A. Jackson 63, Worthington 79-103, Mitchell 4-78).  
Reuter.

### SHAMROCK V.

#### Speed Claimed to Be Underestimated.

London, Yesterday.  
In view of the speed developed by Shamrock Fifth, which won all the four races she entered at Southend and Harwich, Sir Thomas Lipton has communicated with the Yacht Racing Association pointing out that her speed factor has been underestimated, and suggesting that the handicap be revised or altogether waived, thus adding a more sporting interest to next week's races on the Solent.—Reuter.

### GOLF.

#### Starting Times for Week-End.

The Royal Hong Kong Golf Club notifies the following starting times for to-morrow:—  
9.16 a.m.—A. E. Lissaman v. S. C. Feltham.  
**Sunday.**  
9.20 " A. Leach, C. Mycock.  
9.24 " A. Sommerfeld, D. S. Robb.  
9.28 " I. H. Geare, W. C. Shields.  
9.32 " A. D. Humphreys, O. Egger.  
9.36 " D. J. Keogh, J. P. Hollingdale.  
9.40 " G. E. Ellams, G. W. Sellers.  
9.44 " K. S. Morrison, E. D. Lawrence.  
9.48 " A. H. Alexander, A. T. Lay.  
9.52 " J. M. Walker, F. L. Bumpfheys.

Johnston (Skip).  
H. G. Cooper, E. Docherty, W. P. Hedley and R. Lapsley (Skip).  
C. Atkinson, J. McKelvie, F. C. Goodman and S. Gray (Skip).  
Police R.C.—McLeod, G. Alexander, Marks and West (Skip).  
Brittain, Dick, Nolan and Post (Skip).  
Dall, McHardy, Fender and Hargreaves (Skip).  
**Division II.**  
K.C.C.—F. G. Herridge, J. S. Dinnen, T. W. Carr and L. J. Blackburn (Skip).  
W. Borrowman, L. A. Jeeves, W. W. Hirst and V. C. Labrum (Skip).  
O. B. Raven, W. Goldenberg, F. E. Lawrence and D. A. Purves (Skip).  
**Electric Co. R.C.—A. Tarbuck, T. P. Sanderson, D. S. Hill and W. H. B. Musket (Skip).**  
W. Stoker, G. T. Padgett, F. F. Duckworth and H. Hatch (Skip).  
S. J. Clarke, E. Thompson, J. F. Lunny and L. de Rome (Skip).  
Tai Koo R.C.—A. Stalker, T. Stanton, W. Bell and R. K. Duncan (Skip).  
W. Cannelligham, W. Brown, S. Amery and J. J. Whyte (Skip).  
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### OLYMPIA BOULDERING.

#### SMITH WINS HEAVYWEIGHT CHAMPIONSHIP.

##### LONSDALE OUT SEVERED.

At Olympia, London, yesterday, of Deptford, outpointed Donald Shortland in 15-rounds contest for the heavyweight championship.

##### Middleweights.

In the British Middleweight Championship, Len Harvey, the holder, beat Steve McCall of Glasgow. The referee stopped the fight at the ninth round of a 15-round contest.

##### Featherweights.

In the British Featherweight Championship, Johnny Cuthbert, the holder, outpointed Dom Volante in a 15-round contest. Harvey and Cuthbert thus both win the Lonsdale Belts outright.

##### Bantamweights.

In the bantamweights Dick Corbett, of Bethnal Green, beat Willie Smith of South Africa on points over a fifteen-rounds contest.—Reuter.

### WAH YAN COLLEGE.

#### Annual Athletic Meeting.

##### RECORDS BROKEN.

Good sport was seen on the South China Athletic ground, Caroline Hill, yesterday afternoon when the Wah Yan College held its annual athletic meeting in the presence of a large gathering of spectators. Several of the times recorded by the school's athletes last year were broken yesterday, and this was the subject of comment by Mr. E. Ralphs, Director of Education, who distributed the prizes. He congratulated the athletes on their fine performance, and also Mr. A. J. Mauricio, the sports coach, for producing such fine sportsmen.

##### RESULTS.

100 Yards Senior:—1st, Kun Ping-hoi; 2nd, Liu Kong-kun. Time: 12.3/5 secs.  
100 Yards Junior:—1st, Leung Chok-cheung; 2nd, Tsang Hin-ho. Time: 13.2/5 secs.  
220 Yards Senior:—1st, Liu Kong-kun; 2nd, Kung Cheung-yee. Time: 26 secs.  
220 Yards Junior:—1st, Leung Chok-cheung; 2nd, Tsang Hin-ho. Time: 25.4/5 secs.  
100 Yards Small Boys' Race:—1st, Shuen Po-fong; 2nd, Li Shui-cheung. Time: 15 secs.  
Quarter Mile Senior:—1st, Lam Yiu; 2nd, Leung Kwan. Time: 1 min.  
Quarter Mile Junior:—1st, Leung Chok-cheung; 2nd, Tsang Hin-ho. Time: 1 min. 10.3/5 secs.  
120 Yards Handicap Small Boys' Race:—1st, Chow Hon-shu; 2nd, Shuen Po-fong.  
Long Jump Senior:—1st, Lam Yiu; 2nd, Kung Cheung-yee. Distance: 17 ft.  
Obstacle Race Open:—1st, Wong Hoi-shing; 2nd, Wong Wai.  
Sack Race Small Boys only:—1st, Cheung Tung-choi; 2nd, Chow Hui-shu.  
Bicycle Race (two miles):—1st, Ho Shu-kong; 2nd, Lam Fuk-ching. Time: 8 mins. 5 secs.  
Putting the Weights:—1st, Wong Hoi-shing; 2nd, Leung Kun. Distance: 32 1/2 ft.  
Three-Legged Race Open:—1st, Shek Kam-yu and Chan Shiu-lung; 2nd, Li Chung-tung and Ho-tung.  
Low Hurdles Junior:—1st, Leung Chok-cheung; 2nd, Yip Tim-shou. Time: 20.4/5 secs.  
Low Hurdles Senior:—1st, Tai Kating; 2nd, Lam Yiu. Time: 18.1/5 secs.  
Inter-School Relay Race was won by the St. Paul's School team.  
Senior High Jump:—1st, Lam Yiu; 2nd, Lin Kong-kun. Height: 5 ft. 1 1/2 ins.  
Boarders' Quarter Mile Race:—1st, Kwong Tai-chung; 2nd, Wong Chow-chung.  
Open Half Mile Race:—1st, Liu Kong-kun; 2nd, Lam Yiu. Time: 2 mins. 27 secs.  
Old Boys' Race:—1st, Chan Kam-wai; 2nd, E. C. Ho.  
220 Yards Invitation Race:—1st, Cheung Shiu-nam; 2nd, Chan Yiu-tin; 3rd, J. Mak.  
Open One Mile Race:—1st, Tam Chung-ying; 2nd, Chung Chan-fan. Time: 5 mins. 58 secs.  
Boys' Scouts' Race:—1st, A. Hunt; 2nd, P. Keong.  
Teachers' Race 220 Yards (Handicap):—1st, Mr. E. Zimmerman; 2nd, Mr. Mauricio; 3rd, Mr. Jerome Lau.  
The tug-of-war was won by boys of 4B.  
Eggs and Spoon Race:—1st, Mr. Glickert and partner; 2nd, Mr. E. Zimmerman and Miss Chan.  
Consolation Race 120 Yards:—1st, Chung Chan-lam; 2nd, Ho Shu-wai.  
Kicker-Class Relay Race was won by 3A.  
The Senior Championship was won by Lam Yiu and the Junior Championship won by Leung Chok-cheung.

### DAVIS CUP.

#### Legal Men's "Friendly" Game.

The solicitors and office staff of Deacons spent a pleasant afternoon at the Indian Recreation Club yesterday when they met in a friendly tennis match.  
The game was played under the regular League rules, and resulted in an easy win for the solicitors by six sets to three.  
The scores were:—  
W. E. L. Shenton and R. A. Wadsworth:—lost to Ho Wah-hing and T. Leonard 1-6  
lost to Chan So and Lo Kin-chak 0-6  
lost to J. S. A. Curran and N. B. Kitchell 1-6  
M. H. Turner and W. C. Hung:—lost to Ho Wah-hing and T. Leonard 0-1  
lost to Chan So and Lo Kin-chak 0-2  
lost to J. S. A. Curran and N. B. Kitchell 0-4  
H. J. Armstrong and O. E. C. Marton:—lost to Ho Wah-hing and T. Leonard 0-2  
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### BILLIARDS.

#### Two Players Go to Law.

##### SCENE IN TAXI-CAB.

Clark McConachy, professional billiards player, was at Manchester on April 5 bound over to be of good behaviour toward Willie Smith, another billiards professional, till April 10, on which date he left Britain. A summons against McConachy alleging that he assaulted Smith in a taxi-cab was dismissed.

Mr. Butlin, for Smith, said that the two men were playing at Manchester, the deciding game of a match on March 31. McConachy made complaints about the billiards balls and the cloth on the table. He said the ball he was using was not in order, and Smith said he was willing to use it. They exchanged, and Smith was still using the alleged defective ball.

Lator, Mr. McConachy declared the balls were not a neutral set and that they were a set belonging to Smith. He asked if they could be weighed.

The two players and the referee went to Buffroughs and Watts' premises, and while in the taxi-cab on the way, McConachy, said Mr. Butlin, repeated that "they are not a neutral set. They are Smith's set." Smith replied, "that's a lie and you know it is."

McConachy stood up in a threatening attitude, and said to Smith, "I'll knock your head off." Smith tried to open the door, and McConachy struck him in the chest and knocked him back on to his seat. Then McConachy shouted, "I'll kill you before I leave Manchester."

Mr. Jess Rycroft, for McConachy, said that McConachy said that he made only genuine complaints. In the taxi-cab McConachy only put his hand on Smith's chest and said, "Sit down." The referee got hold of his arm, and as there were two against him, he threatened to "Clean them both up."

It was found later that, though the balls were all of the same weight, they were not all the same size.

### VARISITY GOLF.

#### Departure from R. & A. Rules Criticised.

The golf world is stirred by the unprecedented action of the Oxford and Cambridge captains in the inter-varsity golf match in deciding to disregard the Royal and Ancient rules and make their own in consequence of water-filled bunkers. They arranged to lift without penalty from some of the bunkers and to regard others as out of bounds.

A number of prominent golfers have expressed disapproval of such a revolutionary departure and it is stated that the Royal Liverpool Club, on whose course the matches were played, was gravely concerned at such a step in an important representative match, but had no voice in the arrangement and no opportunity of expressing disapproval. Mr. R. H. de Montmorency declared that a match played under rules not coinciding with the Royal and Ancient rules should not constitute a match.

Sir Ernest Holderness also expresses the opinion that the captains were not justified, though he admits they were faced with miserable conditions. The American captain of Oxford, Baugh, declared in an interview, that the action of the Oxford and Cambridge captains, took appeared to be the most feasible way of surmounting their difficulties. The experiment worked well, and both Prain and he were satisfied with the result.

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The much-disputed ownership of a launch, which in its adventurous career, had been confiscated by "Reds" in Swatow, continues to occupy the attention of the Higher Court. The OVERLAND CHINA MAIL, in its comprehensive report of the proceedings, elucidates the complex legal problems involved in the action.

As a sequel to a sensational arrest on a mail liner, just as it was about to sail, a local Master Mariner was fined \$101,000, with the option of seven months' imprisonment at the Central Magistracy. The OVERLAND CHINA MAIL gives full details.

Hong Kong's fine response to the Sepoy Victims' Dependents' Fund, first suggested by the China Mail, reached over \$1,400. The report of the sponsors, and the method by which it will be distributed, are both reported in the OVERLAND CHINA MAIL.

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**DAILY CROSS-WORD PUZZLE.**  
(This cross-word puzzle has been made by an expert but our readers are warned to look out for occasional phonetic spellings, such as harbor, plover, and altho.)

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
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**HORIZONTAL**  
1—To come into sight  
6—A sea in N. Europe  
11—By way of  
12—Pertaining to place  
13—In general  
14—A wing-like part  
15—Indefinite article  
16—Biblical name (Joel, XI, 1)  
17—To stop  
18—Noted German painter and engraver  
19—To feel sick  
20—To migrate  
22—Symbol for calcium  
24—Earliest form of the violin  
25—Sopran than  
26—No  
27—It is (contracted)  
28—Highest note in Guido's scale  
29—A container  
30—To stagger  
31—Girl's name  
32—Lady's title in Spain  
33—A junction  
35—Displaying oratory

**HORIZONTAL (Cont.)**  
37—To beg  
38—The material of elephant tusks  
39—Fragrance  
40—Equalities  
42—Prefix—two  
43—One of the metals  
44—A cubo unit of measure  
45—Heavenly body  
46—A breed of goats  
47—An African fly that conveys disease

**VERTICAL**  
1—An incarnation (Hind. Myth.)  
2—To fasten  
3—Father  
4—King of the Vols  
5—A book printed by goths  
6—A roundup of cattle  
7—Short for Albert  
8—Dutch as spoken by B. African whites  
9—Bad  
10—Scandinavian name of China

**VERTICAL (Cont.)**  
13—Having correlation  
16—Work animal (pl.)  
17—To hasten  
18—Something owed  
19—Summation  
21—A metric measure  
22—Southern constellation  
23—A bedding plant  
24—Female character in Oliver Twist  
25—Time period  
26—Cables made from coconut-husk fiber  
29—Capital of Colombia  
31—Rock containing metal  
32—Male honey bees  
33—A book printed by the Aldine press  
35—Possessive pronoun  
36—Open to view  
37—Ditty  
40—Loud noise  
41—Greek long E  
42—A public conveyance  
44—Bailor (abbr.)  
45—Street (abbr.)

**YESTERDAY'S SOLUTION**

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20
21	22	23	24	25	26	27	28	29	30
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41	42	43	44	45	46	47	48	49	50

The solution of the above cross-word puzzle will appear in tomorrow's issue along with a new cross-word puzzle.

# Behind the Scenes in Hollywood

**THE STRONGEST.**  
(By Dorothy Herzog.)  
The strongest item in this department's ken arrives by mail. I quote the story verbatim:  
Stepin Fetchit is out over at Columbia. He had been cast in an important role in "Lover Come Back," which Erle C. Kenton is directing, but after two days his temperament got the best of him. Harry Conn, rather than put up with him, let him out, and scrapped the film that had been shot up to the time Fetchit went "haywire." Clarence Muse, well-known coloured actor, steps into the role. Buster Collier, jun., and Pauline Starke head the cast, which also includes Walter P. Lewis, Betty Boyd, Ellrich Haupt and Ann Brody.  
Stepin Fetchit should listen to the tom-toms that beat nightly in Hollywood and the chant that drones on: "The star is dead, long live the star."

**CLARA BOW.**  
Has Clara Bow spent ready cash listening to a fortune teller? Over the wires click her statement: "I am not going to marry Harry Richmond. I am expecting a nervous breakdown, and he is no sedative." There's witchery in such frankness. "Tis a smart woman, mayhap, who nervous breakdowns on headline schedule. 'Tis a wise fiancée who waits for the swoon.

**GALSWORTHY AND THE "TALKIES."**  
"NOT MUCH MOVED" BY THEM.  
WHAT AUTHORS SHOULD DO.

Mr. John Galsworthy, escaping for a few minutes from the stifling heat and the glaring lights in the British Lion Film Corporation's new studio in London, spoke to a press representative of his views on the screen and its possibilities.  
He was watching the "shooting" of an interior scene in the talking film version of his play "Escape."  
This is the first "talkie" to be made in Britain from a work by a British author of the first rank, and also the first important British open-air "talkie."  
"I appear to have a conservative type of mind where new forms of art are concerned," said Mr. Galsworthy.  
An Uncanny Hold.  
"Anyone who works in forms of art himself is always rather reluctant, I think, to believe in new developments, but the silent film has, with reservations, converted me to its merits, more as a power dealing with life than as one dealing with fiction.  
"It has an uncanny hold upon you while you are actually watching it, but you go away, I'm afraid, without taking much with you, as a rule.  
"Of the talking film I have seen so very little that I really don't think I have any right to express an opinion. In such very few talking films as I have seen the mechanical reproduction of the voice has been so poor, for the most part, that I have not been moved by them.  
"But that may be—and I am told is—because the quality of the reproduction varies from theatre to theatre. I may have been unlucky.  
"The talking film appears for the moment to have taken the place of the silent film. I don't think, however, that it will kill the silent film, and I hope not; because certain quite definite effects which you can create on the silent film seem only to be blurred when dialogue is introduced.  
"On the other hand, there are some subjects—and I think 'Escape' is one of them—in which talking ought to be valuable.  
"In form this play lends itself very well to a film version. The dialogue is all in a number of 'close' scenes between two or three people, and is almost completely cut off from the action. All that will really happen is that the play, as written for the stage, will be supplemented by a number of silent

**VARIETY THEATRES**  
A Gloomy View at Home.  
A despondent view of the outlook on variety theatres was taken by Sir Alfred Butt, presiding at the annual meeting of Victoria Palace, Limited, London, which showed a reduction of profits by over £5,000 after a period of almost unbroken prosperity.  
Sir Alfred Butt attributed the decline in the popularity of variety theatres chiefly to the competition of talkies, but said that another circumstance working against the prosperity of the "halls" was the fact that many houses had abandoned variety shows and taken up entertainments of other kinds.  
Variety artists were unable to obtain the same continuity of employment; many, indeed, had already turned to different work.  
Sir Alfred Butt forecasted that Victoria Palace would shortly return to revenue.  
Sir Alfred Butt's pessimism, however, is not shared in all quarters. It is pointed out that variety theatres appeal to all tastes and when the novelty of the talkies is worn off it may be expected that good variety performances will be found to retain the old appeal.

**THE W PLAN "TALKIE."**  
The talking film of "The W Plan," the war story which appeared in the Evening Standard, will be produced by Mr. Victor Saville for Burlington Films.

## LIFE SAVED BY TALKIE.

Screen voice routs burglars.  
Ghostly voices from a "talkie" were the means of saving a man's life and preventing a theatre from being robbed.  
Three burglars, after overpowering the night watchman at a New York theatre and binding him to a seat, tortured the man's son in an attempt to make him reveal the combination of the safe.  
They tied a cord round the youth's neck and pulled it tighter and tighter, but still the boy refused to divulge the secret.  
Just as he was beginning to swoon distant voices were heard, and the burglars at once stopped.  
The voices grew louder, the speakers apparently drawing nearer, and the three burglars hurried out of the building. The lad then released his father, and the two went to meet the speaker.  
They found that it was the new talkie apparatus on the stage being tested from an adjoining building by a firm of electrical engineers.  
The voices which the burglars had heard came from the sound film that was being run on the machine.

## FOR CHILDREN.

Brighton's New Rules for Films.  
Brighton, April 21.  
New regulations concerning the exhibition of films to children have been made by the Brighton Watch Committee.  
They provide that no films—other than those of current events—which have not been passed for universal exhibition by the British Board of Film Censors shall be exhibited without the express consent of the Town Council, while any child under, or appearing to be under, 16, unless accompanied by a parent or guardian, is on the premises.  
Before the exhibition of each film a reproduction of the board's certificate, or a slide stating that the film has been passed, and giving its category, is to be shown for at least ten seconds.  
Notices are also to be displayed at the entrances to cinemas giving the definitions adopted by the board of the several categories of films, and also stating the title of each film, its category, and the time at which it will be shown.

## THE FILM KING'S WIFE.

"Serenely Happy, and No Regrets At Leaving The Stage."  
Mrs. Samuel Goldwyn, wife of the film king, believes marriage to be the best vocation for girls.  
"My husband and I go every-

## WATER SUPPLY.

Less Storage on the Island.  
HIGHER CONSUMPTION.  
The total storage in the island reservoirs on Monday, May 19, amounted to 640.04 million gallons, showing a decrease of 14.53 million gallons during the past week. The amount collected from streams was 27.29 million gallons. The week's consumption amounted to 62.97 million gallons which included 21.15 million gallons from the Shing Mun supply.  
Kowloon Water Supply  
The total storage in the mainland reservoirs on Monday, May 19, amounted to 346.16 million gallons, showing a decrease of 18.82 million gallons during the past week.  
The week's consumption amounted to 30.24 million gallons, not including Hong Kong supplies and 2.04 million gallons supplied to water boats at Lanchow.  
The yield from the Shing Mun River and streams during the week was 34.51 million gallons.

The following shows the amount in storage (million gallons) on the dates named:

1929		Hong Kong Mainland	
April 22	326.38	136.61	
May 6	311.72	121.65	
June 3	237.90	87.98	
June 17	132.75	50.51	
July 8	187.79	105.52	
August 5	1,251.86	438.58	
September 2	1,878.13	467.96	
October 7	1,880.13	514.98	
November 4	1,699.58	514.64	
December 2	1,514.80	496.54	
January 6	1,279.77	458.50	
" 13	1,235.50	450.61	
" 20	1,188.37	438.87	
" 27	1,145.65	432.88	
February 3	1,097.85	430.14	
" 10	1,054.13	424.30	
" 17	1,011.11	419.60	
" 24	964.42	405.65	
March 3	915.10	392.64	
" 10	872.86	388.88	
" 17	826.17	376.60	
" 24	792.10	379.37	
April 7	771.69	420.65	
" 14	744.71	428.96	
" 21	703.37	410.74	
" 28	671.16	395.68	
May 5	644.57	388.41	
" 12	608.86	365.90	
" 19	564.57	364.98	
" 26	540.04	348.16	
" Lowest for 1929 in Kowloon.			
† Lowest for 1929 in Island.			

Consumption  
The following figures show the weekly consumption (million gallons) on the dates mentioned—  
(Continued on next column)

where together," she said, before leaving for America.  
Before her marriage Mrs. Goldwyn was an actress.  
"I have never regretted leaving the stage," she said, "and I do not miss it, as I am serenely happy in my married life.  
"My husband discusses his films and plans with me. There is not much I do not know about his film activities. We find them absorbing, but I do not interfere in the studio."

## ROBBERY SEQUEL.

Charge Against Two Employees.  
PRELIMINARY TRIAL.  
Two Chinese were yesterday afternoon charged before Mr. A. W. G. H. Grantham with having been concerned in armed robbery at a firewood shop at 10, Tseung Sau Lane East on the night of April 24-25. Both accused were stated to have been employed at the shop up to the time of the robbery, one for six weeks and the other for eleven weeks.  
The robbery occurred at 2 a.m., on April 25, when the master of the shop was attacked with a chopper, receiving some ugly wounds. The two accused disappeared immediately after the robbery, and the allegation against them was that they had been in league with the robbers, and had admitted them during the night.  
Soon after the robbery, a district watchman saw three men running and intercepted one of them, who turned out to be one of the accused. He claimed that he was chasing the other two who had committed a robbery at his shop, but the watchman was not convinced and took him into custody.  
Police Headquarters were communicated with and Det.-Serg. Whelan visited the shop to investigate. He took a roll-call of all the folks, and the second accused did not respond. This man was subsequently pointed out to two Chinese detectives by another folk of the shop, as he was about to board a train at Kowloon, and he was arrested.  
The case was adjourned.

1929 Hong Kong Mainland

April 22	37.68	30.75
May 6	33.03	27.17
June 3	27.48	24.88
" 24	27.14	11.08†
July 1	27.21	20.71
" 22	25.32§	23.23
August 5	31.85	25.17
September 2	50.88	27.62
October 7	54.90	26.70
November 4	54.22	26.81
December 2	43.90	26.54
1930		
January 6	49.91	25.33
" 13	45.80	24.17
" 20	47.50	25.47
" 27	47.10	25.21
February 3	50.75	23.74
" 10	44.71	23.71
" 17	45.11	24.86
" 24	48.59	25.22
March 3	49.37	26.58
" 10	46.71	24.89
" 17	47.32	26.40
" 24	48.34	26.26
" 31	50.43**	25.64
April 7	49.56	25.18
" 14	58.57	25.89
" 21	55.34	26.02
" 28	56.68	25.54
May 5	59.88	29.79
" 12	61.77	29.10
" 19	62.97	30.24

† Highest in Kowloon during period of publication of weekly reports.  
‡ Lowest in Kowloon recorded in 1929.  
§ Highest in Island in 1929.  
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SUNDAY, MAY 25.	Shantung
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MONDAY, MAY 26.	
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Manila	President Taft
Canada (Vancouver, B.C., May 8), U.S.A., Japan and Shanghai	Empress of Russia

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For	Per
Sam Shui and Wuchow	FRIDAY, MAY 23.
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Straits, Ceylon, India, Mauritius, E. & S. Africa, Aden, Egypt & Europe via Marseilles	Kine Maru 5 p.m.
K.P.O.	
Parcels	May 23, 4.30 p.m.
Registration	May 24, 9 a.m.
Letters	May 24, 10 a.m.
SATURDAY, MAY 24.	
Hohow and Haiphong	Mantua (Due Marseilles, June 20.)
Shanghai	Parcels May 23, 5 p.m.
Saloon	Registration May 24, 9.45 a.m.
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*Straits and Calcutta	
SUNDAY, MAY 25.	
Bangkok via Swatow	Borneo 8.30 a.m.
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MONDAY, MAY 26.	Telemachus 10.30 a.m.
Shanghai	President McKinley 10.30 a.m.
Straits, Ceylon, India, Mauritius, E. & S. Africa, Egypt & Europe via Marseilles	Tilawa
K.P.O.	Parcels May 24, 10.30 a.m.
Registration	May 25, 9 a.m.
Letters	May 25, 9 a.m.
SUNDAY, MAY 26.	
Bangkok via Swatow	Kayng 9 a.m.
Swatow, Amoy and Formosa	Canton Maru 9 a.m.
MONDAY, MAY 27.	
Shanghai	Hakusan Maru 10.30 a.m.
Straits, Ceylon, India, Mauritius, E. & S. Africa, Egypt & Europe via Marseilles	Perseus (Due Marseilles, June 27.)
K.P.O.	
Registration	May 26, 1 p.m.
Letters	May 26, 1.45 p.m.

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## MONGOLIA.

### Internal Development Discussed.

#### CONFERENCE IN NANKING.

Nanking, Yesterday.  
The Conference on Mongolian Affairs, called to discuss the internal development of Mongolia, was formally inaugurated yesterday. More than 40 delegates from Mongolian tribes, with their banners, were present.

Speaking on the purpose of the Conference, the Foreign Ministry has issued a statement addressed to the people of Mongolia and Tibet, in which it declares that inasmuch as Mongolia and Tibet are integral parts of the Chinese Republic, the local authorities there should avoid establishing direct diplomatic relations with any foreign government.

After enunciating the National Government's foreign policy as to recent treaty developments, the statement points out that the peoples of Mongolia and Tibet being Chinese citizens, are entitled to protection by the Central Government against foreign aggression, and that the Foreign Ministry is seeking an appropriate and satisfactory solution of the various out-

## GRAF ZEPPELIN.

### German Air Liner Lands at Brazil.

Fernando Noronha, Yesterday.  
The Graf Zeppelin has been sighted 125 miles off the Brazil coast.

Pernambuco, Yesterday.  
The Graf Zeppelin has arrived here.—Reuter's American Service.

standing Sino-Russian issues, especially those affecting Mongolia. The statement, moreover, declares that by the Sino-Soviet agreement of 1924 Moscow formally recognised Mongolia as an integral part of the Republic of China, as well as China's complete sovereignty thereover. It is therefore obvious that Russia has renounced and does not possess any special interest in Mongolia. The Mongolian people must guard against intimidation by the Soviet and strive to bring about solidarity.

Finally the statement points out that the local authorities in Mongolia and Tibet may act only through the Foreign Ministry.—Reuter.

## RUSSIA AND CHINA.

### Coming Conference on Moscow.

#### C.E.R. QUESTIONS.

Nanking, Yesterday.  
It is officially announced from Moscow that the Soviet Government have appointed M. Karakhan Russia's chief delegate at the Moscow conference for the settlement of the Chinese Eastern Railway dispute.—Reuter.

Harbin, May 16.  
According to a telegram received here from Moscow, Mr. Mo Teh-hui, chairman of the Chinese Delegation to the Chinese Eastern Railway Conference, has been busy holding private conversations with Soviet officials for the purpose of reaching an understanding regarding procedure. It is understood that a number of special committees and commissions will be set up for dealing with particular problems, one being a Commission for the Preparation of Material for an Official Conference on Land and Navigation questions, which probably will be formed after the formal opening of the Conference.

Continuous Banquets.  
The members of the Chinese Delegation to the C.E.R. Conference have now comfortably established themselves in Moscow, several of the delegates having arranged to live at the Grand Hotel, while others will live at the Chinese Embassy Building. The round of banquets and dinners tendered the Chinese delegates by the Commissariat of Foreign Affairs is being continued, some six banquets being scheduled for next week.

Division of C.E.R. Profits.  
The Administration of the C.E.R., following a meeting of the Board of Directors yesterday, appropriated the sum of 2,000,000 Gold Roubles from the profits of the railway, one half of which sum, or 1,000,000 Gold Roubles, was deposited by Mr. Ermashov in the Dalbank on behalf of Soviet interests and an equal sum was deposited by Mr. Li Shao-jen in a Chinese bank on behalf of Chinese interests.—Canton News Agency.

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SAY "BAYER ASPIRIN" and INSIST!

"BAYER'S ASPIRIN" First in the World.

## Senor Daredevil

When the shooting was snappiest Senor was happiest. Like a whirlwind he rode into the battle that was to save the fighting name of his father — and win a sweetheart for himself.

AT THE  
**MAJESTIC**  
NATHAN ROAD, KOWLOON.

TO-DAY & TO-MORROW  
at 2.30, 5.30, 7.20 & 9.20 p.m.

KEN  
MAYNARD  
DOROTHY  
DEVORE

A First National Picture

Showing for the FIRST  
TIME in Hong Kong

## AMUSEMENTS

A drama of sacrifice and supreme love

### "THE LOCKED DOOR"

with  
ROD LA ROCQUE  
BARBARA STANWICK  
WILLIAM BOYD  
BETTY BRONSON

A 100% Talking Picture Sensation  
A George Fitzmaurice PRODUCTION  
UNITED ARTISTS PICTURE

NEWSREEL / COMEDY  
Riviera in Carnival  
Broadway's Quadruplets  
The Old and New Fashions for Dancing.

HARRY LANGDON  
in  
"THE SKY BOY"  
ALL-TALKING

AT THE  
**QUEEN'S**  
TO-DAY AND TO-MORROW  
At 2.30, 5.10, 7.15 & 9.20.

# GRETA GARBO

with LEWIS STONE, NILS ASTHER

IN  
"WILD ORCHIDS"

AT THE  
**STAR**  
TO-DAY AT 5.30 & 9.20.  
TO-MORROW AT 2.30, 5.30 & 9.20.

A LOVE STORY THAT WILL TUG AT YOUR HEART.  
CARL LAEMMLE presents  
JEAN HERSHOLT and SALLY O'NEIL  
in  
"The GIRL ON THE BARGE"

AT THE  
**WORLD**  
TO-DAY & TO-MORROW  
At 2.30 & 7.15 Interpreter  
At 5.15 & 9.20 Orchestra

QUEEN'S NEXT CHANGE

WILLIAM FOX MOVIE TONE  
The First Viennese  
SINGING  
DANCING  
TALKING  
SONG ROMANCE  
**MARRIED IN HOLLYWOOD**